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# AEON STORES (HONG KONG) CO., LIMITED 永 旺 (香港)百貨有限公司

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 984)

GENERAL MANDATES TO REPURCHASE AND ISSUE SHARES, RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS, ELECTION OF NEW DIRECTOR AND

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A letter from the Board of Directors of AEON Stores (Hong Kong) Co., Limited (the "Company") is set out on pages 3 to 7 of this circular.

A notice convening the annual general meeting of the Company to be held at Function Room, Units 07-11, 26/F, CDW Building, 388 Castle Peak Road, Tsuen Wan, New Territories, Hong Kong on Thursday, 29 May 2025 at 10:00 a.m. is set out on pages 19 to 22 of this circular. Whether or not you are able to attend the meeting, you are requested to complete the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it to the Company's share registrar, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding such meeting or adjourned meeting.

Completion and return of the form of proxy shall not preclude shareholders of the Company from attending and voting in person at the annual general meeting or any adjourned meeting should they so wish.

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#### **DEFINITIONS**

In this circular, the following expressions have the following meanings unless the context requires otherwise:

"AGM" the annual general meeting of the Company to be held at

Function Room, Units 07-11, 26/F, CDW Building, 388 Castle Peak Road, Tsuen Wan, New Territories, Hong

Kong on Thursday, 29 May 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

"AGM Notice" the notice convening the AGM as set out on pages 19 to

22 of this circular

"Articles of Association" the existing Articles of Association of the Company

"Board" the board of Directors

"Company" AEON Stores (Hong Kong) Co., Limited, a company

incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability, the shares of which are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange. The Chinese name of the Company is "永旺(香

港)百貨有限公司"

"Director(s)" the director(s) of the Company

"Group" the Company and its subsidiaries

"HK\$" Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong

"Hong Kong" the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC

"Latest Practicable Date" 22 April 2025, being the latest practicable date prior to the

printing of this circular for ascertaining certain information

contained in this circular

"Listing Rules" The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock

Exchange

"PRC" the People's Republic of China

"SFO" the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the

Laws of Hong Kong)

"Share(s)" ordinary share(s) of the Company

#### **DEFINITIONS**

"Shareholder(s)" holder(s) of the Share(s)

"Stock Exchange" The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

"%" per cent.



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Executive Directors:

Takenori NAGASHIMA (Managing Director)

Shinya HISANAGA

Non-executive Directors:

Toshiya GOTO (Chairman)

Hiroyuki INOHARA

Kenji FUJITA

Yasutoshi YOKOCHI

Independent Non-executive Directors:

CHOW Chi Tong Hideto MIZUNO

SHUM Wing Ting

28 April 2025

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To the Shareholders

Dear Sir or Madam,

# GENERAL MANDATES TO REPURCHASE AND ISSUE SHARES, RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS, ELECTION OF NEW DIRECTOR AND

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this circular is to provide you with the AGM Notice and the information relating to the proposed general mandates to repurchase Shares and issue Shares, re-election of the retiring Directors and election of a new Director, and seek your approval of the resolutions relating to these matters at the AGM.

#### 2. GENERAL MANDATE TO REPURCHASE SHARES

An ordinary resolution will be proposed at the AGM to approve a general and unconditional mandate to be given to the Directors to exercise the powers of the Company to repurchase, at any time until the next annual general meeting of the Company or such earlier period as stated in the ordinary resolution, Shares up to a maximum of 10% of the issued Shares at the date of the resolution ("Share Repurchase Mandate").

An explanatory statement as required under the Listing Rules to provide the requisite information is set out in Appendix I hereto.

#### 3. GENERAL MANDATE TO ISSUE SHARES

It will be proposed at the AGM two ordinary resolutions respectively granting to the Directors a general and unconditional mandate to allot, issue and deal with Shares or to grant options and rights to subscribe for any class of Shares or to convert securities into Shares not exceeding 20% of the issued Shares at the date of the resolution until the next annual general meeting of the Company or such earlier period as stated in the ordinary resolution ("Share Issue Mandate") and adding to such general mandate so granted to the Directors any Shares repurchased by the Company under the Share Repurchase Mandate.

#### 4. RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS AND ELECTION OF NEW DIRECTOR

In accordance with Articles 88 and 104 of the Articles of Association, all Directors will retire at the AGM and are eligible for re-election.

Mr. Kenji Fujita ("Mr. Fujita"), after having served on the Board as a Non-executive Director since 27 May 2024, will retire from the Board at the conclusion of the AGM to devote more of his time to his other business commitments. Mr. Chow Chi Tong ("Mr. Chow") has been an Independent Non-executive Director since 29 January 2016. He has confirmed that he will retire from the Board at the conclusion of the AGM. Mr. Chow's retirement is due to having served as an Independent Non-executive Director for nine years to conform with the corporate governance practice of the Company. Mr. Fujita and Mr. Chow have confirmed that they have no disagreement with the Board and that they are not aware of any matter in relation to their retirement that needs to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

Other than Mr. Fujita and Mr. Chow, both of whom will not stand for re-election, all other Directors, being eligible, will offer themselves for re-election at the AGM.

The re-election of the retiring Directors has been reviewed by the Nomination Committee which made recommendation to the Board that the re-election be proposed for Shareholders' approval at the AGM. In recommending the retiring Independent Non-executive Directors for re-election, the Nomination Committee has followed the nomination procedures in the Nomination Policy of the Company and considered the diversity aspects set out under the Board Diversity Policy of the Company. The Nomination Committee also assessed the independence of all the Independent Non-executive Directors including those who are to be re-elected or retiring (as applicable) at the AGM. Each of Mr. Chow Chi Tong, Mr. Hideto Mizuno and Ms. Shum Wing Ting has given to the Company an annual confirmation of independence with reference to the factors set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules. The Board considers that each of the Independent Non-executive Directors continues to meet the independence guidelines set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules and is independent in accordance with the terms of the guidelines.

Each of Mr. Chow Chi Tong, Mr. Hideto Mizuno and Ms. Shum Wing Ting does not hold more than six listed company directorships and each of them has been devoting sufficient time to the Board.

As Mr. Hideto Mizuno is a business man with solid experience in business development and corporate planning in Japan, and Ms. Shum Wing Ting has extensive knowledge and experience in general legal practice with specialization in civil litigation and commercial law, the Company is of the view that Mr. Hideto Mizuno and Ms. Shum Wing Ting possess the perspectives, skills and experience that can bring to the Board and ensure diversity in the composition of the Board by taking into consideration of the Company's business model and specific needs on ensuring proper and timely financial reporting and abiding by the relevant laws and regulations in areas of which the Company operates.

The Nomination Committee has also evaluated the performance of each of the retiring Directors who offered themselves for re-election and found their performance satisfactory. Therefore, the Nomination Committee nominated the retiring Directors to the Board for it to propose to Shareholders for re-election at the AGM.

Information on the retiring Directors, who offered themselves for re-election, as required to be disclosed under the Listing Rules is set out in Appendix II to this circular.

Information on the retiring Directors' interests in the Shares is set out in Appendix III to this circular.

The Board further recommends that Ms. Wong Mei Ling ("Ms. Wong") be nominated for election as a new Director at the AGM. Subject to her appointment being approved by the Shareholders at the AGM, Ms. Wong will be designated as an Independent Non-executive Director.

When considering and recommending the proposed appointment of Ms. Wong as a Director to the Board, the Nomination Committee has taken into account the criteria including but not limited to experience and expertise as set out in the Nomination Policy, with due regard to the board diversity perspectives (including but not limited to gender, age, cultural and educational background, ethnicity, professional experience, skills and knowledge) as set out in the Board Diversity Policy. The Nomination Committee has considered that Ms. Wong's experience in various fields will contribute to the diversity of the Board. Ms. Wong does not hold more than six listed company directorships and has confirmed that she is able to devote sufficient time to the Board. The Nomination Committee and the Board have also assessed and are satisfied with Ms. Wong's independence with reference to the criteria set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules. Based on the aforesaid, the Board accepted the Nomination Committee's recommendations and proposed the appointment of Ms. Wong as a Director at the AGM. Ms. Wong's biographical details are set out in Appendix II to this circular.

#### 5. AGM

Set out on pages 19 to 22 of this circular is the AGM Notice.

A form of proxy for the AGM is enclosed. Whether or not you are able to attend the AGM, you are requested to complete the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it to the Company's share registrar, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the AGM or adjourned meeting. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting at the AGM or any adjourned meeting should you so wish.

#### 6. LISTING RULES REQUIREMENT

According to the Listing Rules, any vote of Shareholders at a general meeting must be taken by poll except where the chairman of meeting, in good faith, decides to allow a resolution which relates purely to a procedural or administrative matter to be voted on by a show of hands. Therefore, all the resolutions put to the vote at the AGM will be taken by way of poll.

#### 7. RECOMMENDATION

The Directors consider that the resolutions (including, among others, the resolutions for approval of the Share Repurchase Mandate, the Share Issue Mandate, the re-election of retiring Directors, and the election of new Director) as set out in the AGM Notice are in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders and recommend the Shareholders to vote in favour of all the resolutions as set out in the AGM Notice. The Directors will vote all their Shares in favour of all the resolutions at the AGM.

#### 8. CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from Monday, 26 May 2025 to Thursday, 29 May 2025 (both days inclusive), for the purpose of determining Shareholders' entitlement to attend and vote at the AGM, during which period no transfer of Shares will be registered. In order to qualify for attending and voting at the AGM, Shareholders should ensure that all transfer documents, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, are lodged with the Company's share registrar, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong for registration by no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 23 May 2025.

Yours faithfully,
By order of the Board

AEON Stores (Hong Kong) Co., Limited

Takenori Nagashima

Managing Director

This appendix serves as an explanatory statement, as required by the Listing Rules, to provide requisite information to you for your consideration of the Share Repurchase Mandate.

#### 1. Listing Rules

The Listing Rules permit companies whose primary listing is on the Stock Exchange to repurchase their securities on the Stock Exchange or on another stock exchange recognised for this purpose by the Securities and Futures Commission and the Stock Exchange, subject to certain restrictions, the most important of which are summarised below:

#### (a) Shareholders' Approval

The Listing Rules provide that all on-market repurchases of securities by a company with its primary listing on the Stock Exchange must be approved in advance by an ordinary resolution, either by way of a specific approval in relation to specific transactions or by a general mandate to the directors of the company to make such repurchases.

#### (b) Source of Funds

Repurchases must be made out of funds which are legally available for the purpose and in accordance with the company's constitutive documents and the laws of the jurisdiction in which the company is incorporated or otherwise established.

#### 2. Issued Shares

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the issued shares of the Company comprised 260,000,000 Shares. On the basis of such figure, the Company would be allowed under the Share Repurchase Mandate to repurchase a maximum of 26,000,000 Shares, representing 10% of the issued shares of the Company, subject to adjustment of any further Shares issued or cancelled on repurchases after the Latest Practicable Date and up to the date of the AGM.

#### 3. Reasons for Repurchase of Shares

The Directors believe that the flexibility afforded by the Share Repurchase Mandate would be beneficial to the Company and its Shareholders. Repurchases of Shares will only be made when the Directors believe that such repurchases will benefit the Company and its Shareholders. Such repurchases may, depending on market conditions and funding arrangements at the time, lead to an enhancement of the net assets of the Company and/or its earnings per Share. It will then be beneficial to those Shareholders who retain their investment in the Company since their percentage interest in the assets of the Company would increase in proportion to the number of Shares bought back by the Company.

#### 4. Funding of Repurchase

Any repurchases will be made out of funds of the Company legally permitted to be utilised in this connection in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association and the applicable laws in Hong Kong, being distributable profits of the Company or the proceeds of a fresh issue of Shares made for such purpose.

There might be an adverse impact on the working capital or gearing position of the Company as compared with the position disclosed in the audited financial statements contained in the annual report for the year ended 31 December 2024 in the event that the Share Repurchase Mandate were to be carried out in full at any time during the proposed share repurchase period. However, the Directors do not propose to exercise the Share Repurchase Mandate to such extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements of the Company or the gearing levels which in the opinion of the Directors shall from time to time be appropriate for the Company.

#### 5. Disclosure of Interest

Neither the Directors nor, to the best of their knowledge having made all reasonable enquiries, their close associates, have any present intention to sell any Shares to the Company under the Share Repurchase Mandate if such is approved by the Shareholders.

No other core connected persons (as defined in the Listing Rules) have notified the Company that they have a present intention to sell Shares to the Company, or have undertaken not to do so, in the event that the Share Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders.

#### 6. General

The Directors will only exercise the powers of the Company to make repurchases pursuant to the Share Repurchase Mandate and in accordance with the Listing Rules and the applicable laws of Hong Kong. Shares will be cancelled upon repurchases made by the Company. Neither the explanatory statement in this Appendix I nor the Share Repurchase Mandate has any unusual features.

#### 7. Share Prices

The highest and lowest prices at which the Shares were traded on the Stock Exchange during each of the previous 12 months up to the Latest Practicable Date were as follows:

	Shares	
	Highest	Lowest
	HK\$	HK\$
2024		
April	0.600	0.500
May	0.570	0.465
June	0.480	0.390
July	0.430	0.380
August	0.400	0.310
September	0.470	0.290
October	0.540	0.380
November	0.435	0.350
December	0.530	0.355
2025		
January	0.600	0.340
February	0.520	0.305
March	0.450	0.330
1–22 April	0.450	0.315

#### 8. Effect of the Takeovers Code

If on the exercise of the power to repurchase shares pursuant to the Share Repurchase Mandate, a Shareholder's proportionate interest in the voting rights of the Company increases, such increase will be treated as an acquisition for the purposes of Rule 32 of The Codes on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Repurchases ("Takeovers Code"). As a result, a Shareholder or a group of Shareholders acting in concert, could obtain or consolidate control of the Company and become obliged to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rules 26 and 32 of the Takeovers Code.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, 157,536,000 Shares (*Note*) representing approximately 60.59% of the issued Shares was held by AEON Co., Ltd. ("AEON Co.") (the controlling shareholder of the Company) and, assuming full exercise of the Share Repurchase Mandate given to the Directors, approximately 67.32% will be held by such controlling shareholder. The Directors are not aware of any consequences which may arise under Rules 26 and 32 of the Takeovers Code or such that the public float of the Shares will be reduced to less than 25% as a result of any purchases made under the Share Repurchase Mandate.

#### APPENDIX I EXPLANATORY STATEMENT ON REPURCHASE OF SHARES

Note: These shares are held as to 155,760,000 Shares by AEON Co. and 1,776,000 Shares by AEON Credit Service (Asia) Company Limited ("ACS"). ACS is owned by AEON Co. as to 294,888,000 shares representing 70.42% of the issued share capital of ACS. AEON Co. is deemed to be interested in the 1,776,000 Shares owned by ACS.

#### 9. Share Repurchases made by the Company

The Company has not purchased any of its Shares (whether on the Stock Exchange or otherwise) in the 6 months preceding the Latest Practicable Date.

#### APPENDIX II

### INFORMATION ON RETIRING DIRECTORS PROPOSED FOR RE-ELECTION AND NEW DIRECTOR PROPOSED FOR ELECTION

The following is the information required to be disclosed by the Listing Rules on the retiring Directors proposed to be re-elected and the new Director proposed to be elected at the AGM.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

#### Mr. Takenori NAGASHIMA

Mr. Nagashima (aged 43) was appointed as the Managing Director of the Company in March 2023. He joined the Company as the Administration General Manager in May 2019 and has become the Executive Director in charge of Administration and Corporate Finance of the Company in October 2019. He joined AEON Retail Co., Ltd. ("ARCL") in September 2004. From 2011 to 2014, he was assigned to assume different positions related to various operations in AEON Co., Ltd. ("AEON Co"), the ultimate holding company of the Company. In September 2014, he was appointed as the Administration General Manager of AEON (Hubei) Co., Ltd., with responsibility of establishing its supporting team. Mr. Nagashima received his bachelor's degree from the International Cultural Exchange School of Fudan University.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Nagashima's interests in the shares of the Company and its associated corporations (if any) within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO are set out in Appendix III to this circular.

In addition, there is a letter of appointment between the Company and Mr. Nagashima. He is subject to the requirements for retirement and re-election at each annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association. Mr. Nagashima was entitled to the Director's remuneration of HK\$2,207,000 for 2024.

#### Mr. Shinya HISANAGA

Mr. Hisanaga (aged 51) was appointed as the General Manager of the Buying Division of the Company in March 2020 and Executive Director of the Company in May 2020. He joined ARCL in April 1997. Since then, he was assigned to assume different positions in various business divisions related to business planning and coordination in ARCL group companies. Before he joined the Company, he was an executive officer of Home Coordy Business Division in ARCL. He became a director of Sunday Co., Ltd. and AEON Bike Co., Ltd. in May 2016 and became a director of R.O.U Co., Ltd. in March 2015. Mr. Hisanaga received his bachelor's degree in Commerce from the Hannan University.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Hisanaga's interests in the shares of the Company and its associated corporations (if any) within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO are set out in Appendix III to this circular.

### INFORMATION ON RETIRING DIRECTORS PROPOSED FOR RE-ELECTION AND NEW DIRECTOR PROPOSED FOR ELECTION

In addition, there is a letter of appointment between the Company and Mr. Hisanaga. He is subject to the requirements for retirement and re-election at each annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association. Mr. Hisanaga was entitled to the Director's remuneration of HK\$1,367,000 for 2024.

#### NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

#### Mr. Toshiya GOTO

Mr. Goto (aged 64) was appointed as Non-executive Director and the Chairman of the Board in April 2023 and March 2024 respectively. He is the executive officer of AEON Co in charge of China Business and the chairman of AEON (China) Co., Ltd. ("ACCL"). Mr. Goto joined ARCL in 1984. Since then, he was assigned to assume different positions in ARCL. He was appointed the president of Beijing AEON Co., Ltd. for the period from May 2011 to May 2013, and the president of Qingdao AEON Dongtai Co., Ltd. for the period from May 2013 to February 2015. He was appointed as the director and executive vice president of ARCL in charge of Product and Inner-Casual business in March 2019 and subsequently appointed the director and executive vice president of ARCL in charge of Product in March 2020.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Goto's interests in the shares of the Company and its associated corporations (if any) within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO are set out in Appendix III to this circular.

In addition, there is a letter of appointment between the Company and Mr. Goto. He is subject to the requirements for retirement and re-election at each annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association. Mr. Goto was entitled to the Director's remuneration of HK\$37,000 for 2024 (which was pro-rata to the period of services in the year of his appointment).

#### Mr. Hiroyuki INOHARA

Mr. Inohara (aged 58) was appointed as Non-executive Director in March 2022. He is the vice-president in charge of GMS Business cum General Manager of Business Development and Construction Coordination Department of ACCL. Mr. Inohara joined ARCL in 1991. Since then, he was assigned to assume different positions in ARCL and in AEON Co. In 2011, he was appointed the general manager of business development of ACCL. In 2015, he was appointed the managing director of AEON South China Co., Ltd. ("ASC"), a subsidiary of the Company, and the managing director of both Guangdong AEON Teem Co., Ltd. ("GDA"), a subsidiary of the Company, and ASC from 2017. He was appointed the vice-president of ACCL since 2021 and is in charge of business development and construction. Mr. Inohara graduated from the Faculty of Economics, Doshisha University and also the Department of Knowledge Science Hokuriku Advanced Institute of Science and Technology with a master degree.

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Mr. Inohara is also a chairman of AEON East China (Suzhou) Co., Ltd., Beijing AEON Co., Ltd., ASC and a director of ACCL, AEON (Hubei) Co., Ltd., GDA, Qingdao AEON Dongtai Co., Ltd. and AEON (Hunan) Co., Ltd..

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Inohara did not have any interest in the shares of the Company and its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

In addition, there is a letter of appointment between the Company and Mr. Inohara. He is subject to the requirements for retirement and re-election at each annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association. Mr. Inhoara was entitled to the Director's remuneration of HK\$78,000 for 2024.

#### Mr. Yasutoshi YOKOCHI

Mr. Yokochi (aged 51) was appointed as Non-executive Director in May 2024. He has been the general manager of the Overseas Company Management Department of AEON Co since September 2021 and a director of AEON (Thailand) Co., Ltd. since May 2024. He joined ARCL in April 2001. From April 2001 to September 2021, he was assigned to assume different positions related to various operations in AEON Group of companies including AEON Co. (M) BHD and posting to United States of America. Mr. Yokochi has over 23 years of working experience in retail operation, finance, corporate management and business recovery.

Mr. Yokochi holds a master degree in Business Administration in Finance from International University of Japan.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Yokochi did not have any interest in the shares of the Company and its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

In addition, there is a letter of appointment between the Company and Mr. Yokochi. He is subject to the requirements for retirement and re-election at each annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association. Mr. Yokochi does not receive any director's remuneration from the Company.

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#### INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

#### Mr. Hideto MIZUNO

Mr. Mizuno (aged 52) was appointed as Independent Non-executive Director in August 2018. He has been the vice chairman of Mizuno Sports Promotional Foundation, a non-profit organization, since June 2016. He was also the wholesale director of Timberland brand of VF Japan Corporation from June 2017 to February 2018. Before June 2017, Mr. Mizuno was an executive director of Mizuno Corporation, a company listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. During his over ten years' services in Mizuno Corporation, he was in charge of the Global Brand Development, New Business Development, National Accounts Sales and Nagoya Sales Branch Office. He was also the vice president of Mizuno USA in charge of Corporate Planning during the period from July 2005 to March 2009. Mr. Mizuno is currently an independent director of 17LIVE Group Limited, a company listed on The Singapore Exchange. He holds a master degree in Business Architect from the Kanazawa Institute of Technology Japan, a bachelor's degree in Chemistry from the Carthage College USA and a bachelor's degree in Economics from the Keio University Japan.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Mizuno did not have any interest in the shares of the Company and its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

In addition, there is a letter of appointment between the Company and Mr. Mizuno. He is subject to the requirements for retirement and re-election at each annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association. Mr. Mizuno was entitled to a Director's fee of HK\$190,000 for 2024.

#### Ms. SHUM Wing Ting

Ms. Shum (aged 37) was appointed as Independent Non-executive Director in December 2022. She is currently a practicing solicitor and civil celebrant of marriage in Hong Kong. She has experience in general legal practice with specialization in civil litigation and commercial law. Ms. Shum graduated from The Chinese University of Hong Kong with a bachelor degree in laws (LL.B.) in 2011 and completed her postgraduate certificate in laws in 2012. She also obtained her Master of laws Degree from the University of Hong Kong in 2019. Ms. Shum is currently a member of the Law Society of Hong Kong and an accredited general mediator of Hong Kong Mediation Accreditation Association Limited and the Law Society of Hong Kong.

Ms. Shum was an assistant solicitor in LCP, Solicitors and Notaries from 1 January 2015 to 31 July 2024. She is currently a partner of Chow & Chow Solicitors. Ms. Shum was an independent non-executive director, member of the audit committee, remuneration committee and nomination committee of Fullwealth Construction Holdings Co., Ltd. for the period from 8 October 2018 to 14 Jan 2021, which is listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange with stock code 1034.

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As at the Latest Practicable Date, Ms. Shum did not have any interest in the shares of the Company and its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

In addition, there is a letter of appointment between the Company and Ms. Shum. She is subject to the requirements for retirement and re-election at each annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association. Ms. Shum was entitled to a Director's fee of HK\$200,000 for 2024.

#### **General Information of Retiring Directors**

The emoluments of the abovementioned retiring Directors are determined by the Board with reference to the Company's performance and profitability, as well as remuneration benchmark in the industry and the prevailing market conditions.

Save as disclosed above, (i) each of the abovementioned retiring Directors did not hold any directorship in other public listed companies, the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years; (ii) each of the abovementioned retiring Directors does not hold any other positions with the Company or other members of the Group; (iii) each of the abovementioned retiring Directors does not have any relationship with any Directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company; and (iv) there is no information that should be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules nor any other matters that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders in relation to the re-election of the abovementioned retiring Directors.

#### PROPOSED NEW DIRECTOR FOR ELECTION

#### Ms. WONG Mei Ling

Ms. Wong (aged 63) obtained a master degree of Finance of the Curtin University. She is a member of Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and has over 30 years of experience in accounting field. Ms. Wong is an independent non-executive director of China New Energy Limited (stock code: 1156) (the shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange). She was also the chief financial officer of Sun Television Cybernetworks Enterprise Limited from July 2011 to January 2016, and the financial controller of Up Energy Development Group Limited (the shares of which were delisted from the Main Board of the Stock Exchange with effect from 5 January 2022) from September 2006 to July 2011.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Ms. Wong did not have any interest in the shares of the Company and its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

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### INFORMATION ON RETIRING DIRECTORS PROPOSED FOR RE-ELECTION AND NEW DIRECTOR PROPOSED FOR ELECTION

Subject to the passing of the resolution for Ms. Wong's appointment as a Director at the AGM, the Company and Ms. Wong will sign a letter of appointment. Ms. Wong will be subject to the requirements for retirement and re-election at each annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association and entitled to receive a director's fee to be determined by the Board with reference to the Remuneration Committee's recommendation, the Company's performance and profitability, as well as remuneration benchmark in the industry and the prevailing market conditions.

On accepting her nomination to the Board, Ms. Wong has confirmed (a) her independence as regards each of the factors referred to in Rule 3.13(1) to (8) of the Listing Rules; (b) that she has no past or present financial or other interest in the business of the Company or its subsidiaries or any connection with any core connected persons (as defined under the Listing Rules) of the Company; and (c) that there are no other factors that may affect her independence. Where required, Ms. Wong will provide her aforesaid confirmations again on the date of her appointment taking effect.

Save as disclosed above, (i) Ms. Wong does not hold any directorship in other public listed companies, the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years; (ii) Ms. Wong does not hold any other positions with the Company or other members of the Group; (iii) Ms. Wong does not have any relationship with any Directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company; and (iv) there is no information that should be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules nor any other matters that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders in relation to her proposed appointment.

#### (A) LONG POSITIONS IN THE SHARES OF THE COMPANY

	Number of ordinary	
	shares held as	Approximate
	personal	percentage of
Name of Directors	interests	interests
		%
Takenori NAGASHIMA	12,000	0.00462
Shinya HISANAGA	30,000	0.01154

### (B) LONG POSITIONS IN THE SHARES OF AEON CO., LTD., THE COMPANY'S ULTIMATE HOLDING COMPANY

	Number of	
	shares held as	Approximate
	personal	percentage of
Name of Directors	interests	interests
		%
Toshiya GOTO	6,300	0.00072
Shinya HISANAGA	2,130	0.00024

Note: The above shareholding information has been confirmed by the respective Directors.



## AEON STORES (HONG KONG) CO., LIMITED 永 旺 (香 港 )百 貨 有 限 公 司

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 984)

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual general meeting of Shareholders of AEON Stores (Hong Kong) Co., Limited (the "Company") will be held at Function Room, Units 07-11, 26/F, CDW Building, 388 Castle Peak Road, Tsuen Wan, New Territories, Hong Kong on Thursday, 29 May 2025 at 10:00 a.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive and consider the audited Financial Statements and the Reports of the Directors and the Independent Auditor for the year ended 31 December 2024.
- 2. To re-elect and elect Directors and authorise the Board of Directors to fix the remuneration of the Directors.
- 3. To re-appoint Auditor and authorise the Directors to fix the Auditor's remuneration.
- 4. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:

#### **Ordinary Resolutions**

#### (i) "**THAT**:

(a) subject to paragraph (i)(b) below, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period of all the powers of the Company to repurchase shares of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") or on any other stock exchange on which the shares of the Company may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

- (b) the aggregate number of shares to be repurchased pursuant to the approval in paragraph (i)(a) above shall not exceed 10% of the total number of shares of the Company in issue as at the date of passing this resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (c) for the purposes of this resolution:
  - "Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier of:
  - (1) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
  - (2) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law or the articles of association of the Company to be held; and
  - (3) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting."

#### (ii) "THAT:

a general mandate be and is hereby unconditionally given to the Directors (a) of the Company to exercise during the Relevant Period all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares of the Company, to allot, issue or grant securities of the Company, including bonds, debentures and notes convertible into shares of the Company and to make or grant offers or agreements which would or might require the exercise of such powers either during or after the Relevant Period, provided that these powers of the Directors and this general mandate are in respect of and in addition to any shares which may be issued on the exercise of the subscription rights under the Company's securities or pursuant to any scrip dividend scheme or pursuant to a rights issue or pursuant to any rights of conversion under any existing convertible bonds, debentures or notes of the Company, and provided further that these powers of the Directors and this general mandate shall be subject to the restrictions that the aggregate number of shares allotted or agreed to be allotted or issued pursuant thereto, whether by way of conversion or otherwise, shall not exceed 20% of the total number of shares of the Company in issue as at the date of passing this resolution; and

(b) for the purposes of this resolution:

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

- (1) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (2) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law or the articles of association of the Company to be held; and
- (3) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting."
- (iii) "THAT, conditional upon the resolutions (i) and (ii) above being passed, the aggregate number of shares which are bought back by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to resolution (i) above (up to a maximum of 10% of the total number of shares of the Company in issue as at the date of this resolution) shall be added to the aggregate number of shares that may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the Directors of the Company pursuant to resolution (ii) above."

By order of the Board

AEON Stores (Hong Kong) Co., Limited

Chan Kwong Leung, Eric

Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 28 April 2025

Registered Office: G-4 Floor Kornhill Plaza (South) 2 Kornhill Road Hong Kong

#### Notes:

- (1) A member entitled to attend and vote at the annual general meeting convened by the above notice is entitled to appoint more than one proxy to attend and vote in his/her stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- (2) In order to be valid, form(s) of proxy, together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power of attorney or authority, must be deposited at the office of the Company's share registrar, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong, not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the annual general meeting or any adjournment thereof.
- (3) The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from Monday, 26 May 2025 to Thursday, 29 May 2025 (both days inclusive), for the purpose of determining Shareholders' entitlement to attend and vote at the annual general meeting, during which period no transfer of Shares will be registered. In order to qualify for attending and voting at the annual general meeting, Shareholders should ensure that all transfer documents, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, are lodged with the Company's share registrar, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong for registration by no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 23 May 2025.
- (4) Further information relating to the retiring Directors proposed to be re-elected and the new Director proposed to be elected at the annual general meeting will be provided in a circular of the Company to be sent to all Shareholders together with the Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2024.
- (5) If Typhoon Signal No. 8 or above is hoisted or remains hoisted at 8:00 a.m. on the date of the annual general meeting, the annual general meeting will be postponed. The Company will post an announcement on the Company's website at www.aeonstores.com.hk and the Stock Exchange's website at www.hkexnews.hk to notify shareholders of the Company of the date, time and place of the rescheduled annual general meeting.

The annual general meeting will be held on 29 May 2025 as scheduled when an Amber or a Red Rainstorm Warning Signal or a Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is in force in Hong Kong at any time on that day. Shareholders should decide on their own whether they would attend the annual general meeting under bad weather conditions bearing in mind their own situations.