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中原銀行股份有限公司*
ZHONGYUAN BANK CO., LTD.*

(A joint stock company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1216)

**CHANGE OF PRESIDENT AND PROPOSED
APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The board of directors (the “**Board**”) of Zhongyuan Bank Co., Ltd.* (the “**Bank**”) announces that Mr. LIU Kai (“**Mr. LIU**”), the President of the Bank, ceased to be the President of the Bank due to change of job assignment, which will take effect from October 17, 2025. Following his resignation, Mr. LIU no longer holds any position with the Bank.

Mr. LIU has confirmed that there is no disagreement with the Board and there are no other matters relating to his resignation that need to be brought to the attention of the Bank’s shareholders. The Board would like to express its sincere appreciation to Mr. LIU for his contribution to the Bank during his tenure of office as the President of the Bank.

On October 17, 2025, the Board has considered and approved to appoint Mr. ZHOU Feng (“**Mr. ZHOU**”) as the President of the Bank and the proposed appointment of Mr. ZHOU as an executive Director of the third session of the Board (the “**Proposed Appointment**”). The qualification of Mr. ZHOU as the President of the Bank is subject to the approval by National Financial Regulatory Administration Henan Office (“**Henan Financial Regulatory Office**”). The Proposed Appointment is subject to consideration and approval by shareholders at the Bank’s general meeting and approval of the relevant qualification by Henan Financial Regulatory Office.

The particulars of biography of Mr. ZHOU are set out as follows:

Mr. ZHOU, born in January 1977, is of Chinese nationality with a doctoral degree.

From May 2024 to September 2025, Mr. ZHOU served as deputy secretary-general of the People’s Government of Henan Province; from April 2022 to May 2024, he held the position of vice mayor of Puyang City, Henan Province; from August 2005 to April 2022, he worked at the Henan Office of the former China Banking and Insurance Regulatory Commission (during which: from November 2017 to January 2022, he was seconded to the Department of Finance of the Tibet Autonomous Region as assistant to the director); from August 2003 to August 2005, he worked at the postdoctoral workstation of Shenzhen Stock Exchange (Fudan University).

Mr. ZHOU obtained a bachelor's degree in Computer and Applications from Hunan University of Finance and Economics in July 1998, a master's degree in Statistics from Hunan University in June 2000 and a doctoral degree in Management Science and Engineering from Huazhong University of Science and Technology in June 2003.

The Bank will enter into a service contract with Mr. ZHOU. The term of office of Mr. ZHOU as the President of the Bank shall commence on the date his qualification as the President is approved by the Henan Financial Regulatory Office and shall end upon the re-election of the third session of the Board. The term of office of Mr. ZHOU as an executive Director of the Bank will be for a period from the date of approval by the shareholders at the general meeting and approval of his qualification as a Director by the Henan Financial Regulatory Office to the re-election of the third session of the Board, subject to re-election upon the expiry of his term of office. The Bank will determine the remuneration package for Mr. ZHOU in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and regulatory requirements, as well as the Bank's relevant compensation policies, and make appropriate disclosures in accordance with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Listing Rules**").

Save as disclosed above, Mr. ZHOU does not (i) hold any directorship in any other listed companies or take up any post in any affiliated companies of the Bank in the past three years; (ii) have any relationship with any other Director, supervisor, senior management or substantial shareholder of the Bank; or (iii) have any equity interest in the Bank within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

Save as disclosed herein, there are no other matters relating to the appointment of Mr. ZHOU that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders, and there is no other information that shall be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules.

A circular containing, among other things, detailed information of the aforementioned Proposed Appointment will be published on the website of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (www.hkexnews.hk) and the website of the Bank (www.zybank.com.cn) in due course, and will be despatched to the H shareholders in the manner that they elected to receive corporate communications.

By Order of the Board
Zhongyuan Bank Co., Ltd.*
GUO Hao
Chairman

Zhengzhou, the People's Republic of China
October 17, 2025

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. GUO Hao as executive Director; Mr. FENG Ruofan and Ms. ZHANG Shu as non-executive Directors; Mr. XU Yiguo, Ms. ZHAO Zijian, Mr. WANG Maobin, Mr. PAN Xinmin and Mr. GAO Pingyang as independent non-executive Directors.

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