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Xikang Cloud Hospital Holdings Inc.

熙康雲醫院控股有限公司

(formerly known as Neusoft Xikang Holdings Inc. 東軟熙康控股有限公司)

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 9686)

CHANGE OF AUDITOR

This announcement is made by Xikang Cloud Hospital Holdings Inc. (the “**Company**”, together with its subsidiaries and the consolidated affiliated entities controlled under the contractual arrangements, the “**Group**”) pursuant to Rule 13.51(4) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the “**Listing Rules**”) on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Stock Exchange**”).

RESIGNATION OF AUDITOR

The board (the “**Board**”) of directors (the “**Director(s)**”) of the Company hereby announces that, in view of recent market information, based on principle of prudence, and taking into account the Company’s current business situation and the future needs for audit services, after the Company’s communication with PricewaterhouseCoopers (“**PwC**”) on the proposed change of auditor, PwC agreed to resign as auditor of the Company with effect from 21 October 2024.

The Company is incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands and to the knowledge of the Board, there is no requirement under the laws of Cayman Islands for the resigning auditor to confirm whether or not there is any circumstance connected with its resignation which it considers should be brought to the attention of the holders of securities of the Company. PwC has therefore not issued such confirmation.

The Board and the audit committee of the Company (the “**Audit Committee**”) have confirmed that, there is no disagreement between the Company and PwC and that there are no other matters or circumstances in connection with the resignation of PwC that need to be brought to the attention of the holders of securities of the Company.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to express its sincere gratitude to PwC for its professional services and support rendered to the Group during its tenure of office.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

The Board further announces that with the recommendation from the Audit Committee, the Board has resolved to appoint Ernst & Young (“EY”) as the new auditor of the Company with effect from 21 October 2024 to fill the casual vacancy following the resignation of PwC and to hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company.

The Audit Committee has considered a number of factors in assessing the appointment of EY in accordance with the duties stated in the terms of reference of the Audit Committee, including but not limited to (i) the audit proposal of EY; (ii) the caliber of EY including its experience in handling audit work for companies listed on the Stock Exchange and its familiarity with the requirements under the Listing Rules; (iii) its independence and objectivity; (iv) its audit fee; (v) its reputation in the market; (vi) its resources and capability of completing the audit work within stipulated schedule; and (vii) the Guidance Notes on Change of Auditors issued by the Accounting and Financial Reporting Council.

The Audit Committee has noted that EY has extensive audit experience for other sizable listed companies in Hong Kong. EY has gained a high reputation in the market by providing extensive internal expert support on various industries. The Audit Committee has also assessed the engagement team for the audit of the Group and considered that there are sufficient and appropriate resources. Based on the factors aforesaid, the Audit Committee is satisfied that EY is independent, competent and capable (in terms of manpower, expertise, time and other resources) to perform high-quality audit services for the Group. The Board and the Audit Committee are also of the view that the change of auditor would not have any material impact on the Group, would meet the Company’s needs for audit services and financial reporting, and is in the interest of the Company and the holders of securities of the Company as a whole.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to express its warm welcome to EY on its appointment as the new auditor of the Company.

By Order of the Board
Xikang Cloud Hospital Holdings Inc.
Dr. LIU Jiren
Chairman and Non-Executive Director

Hong Kong, 21 October 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of the Company comprises Ms. ZONG Wenhong as an executive Director; Dr. LIU Jiren, Mr. XU Hongli, Dr. WANG Nan, Mr. PU Chengchuan and Dr. CHEN Lianyong as non-executive Directors; and Dr. CHEN Yan, Dr. QI Guoxian and Dr. YIN Guisheng as independent non-executive Directors.