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Leader Education Limited

立德教育股份有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock code: 1449)

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

This announcement is made by Leader Education Limited (the “**Company**”, together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) pursuant to Rule 13.51(4) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Stock Exchange**”).

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 15 June 2026 (the “**Announcement**”) in relation to the resignation of Jon Gepsom CPA Limited as the auditor of the Company.

The board (the “**Board**”) of directors (the “**Directors**”) of the Company has resolved, on the recommendation of the audit committee of the Company (the “**Audit Committee**”), to appoint CCTH CPA LIMITED (the “**CCTH**”) as auditor of the Company for the financial year ending 31 August 2026 (the “**2026 Audit**”) to fill the casual vacancy following the resignation of Jon Gepsom CPA Limited with effect from 21 July 2026 and to hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company.

The Audit Committee is primarily responsible for recommending to the Board on the appointment and removal of auditors, having regard to code provision D.3.3(a) of the Corporate Governance Code, Appendix C1 to the Listing Rules (the “**Corporate Governance Code**”). The Audit Committee has considered the following factors when recommending CCTH as the new auditor of the Company to the Board, including but not limited to:

- (1) “**Guidelines for Effective Audit Committees – Selection, Appointment and Reappointment of Auditors**” (the “**Guideline**”) issued by the Accounting and Financial Reporting Council in December 2021: the Company has conducted a review on the suitability of CCTH as the new auditor following section 2 of the Guideline, including the governance and leadership, compliance with relevant ethical requirements, industry and technical competence, engagement performance and communication and interaction with the Audit Committee;

- (2) **Reputation and Experience:** CCTH is a reputable audit firm which is experienced in performing audits for companies listed on the Stock Exchange and they were familiar with the requirements under the Listing Rules and the International Financial Reporting Standards (the “IFRS”);
- (3) **Resources Allocation, Quality and Capability:** CCTH has confirmed that they will assign sufficient manpower to complete the audit engagement. The partners in charge of CCTH have years of experience in audit, including in particular listed companies;
- (4) **Independence and Objectivity:** CCTH has confirmed that it has fully adhered to the Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (“Code”) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, including all requirements related to independence. There are no other relationships (e.g. financial, employment, or family ties) between the members of the audit team (including their immediate family members) and the Group that could compromise CCTH’s independence in conducting the audit.

Based on the above, the Audit Committee has assessed and considered CCTH to be eligible and suitable to act as the Auditor. The Board and the Audit Committee are of the view that the appointment of CCTH would maintain audit quality, and is in the interests of the Company and its shareholders as a whole.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to welcome CCTH as the auditor of the Company.

By the order of the Board
Leader Education Limited
Liu Laixiang
Chairman

Harbin, Heilongjiang Province, PRC, 21 July 2026

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Liu Laixiang, Ms. Dong Ling, Mr. Wang Yunfu and Mr. Che Wenge; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Zhang Su, Mr. Chan Ngai Fan and Mr. Xu Xiong.