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## **APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The board (the “**Board**”) of directors (the “**Directors**”, each a “**Director**”) of HKE Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”, together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) hereby announces that Mr. Zhou Peng (周鵬) (“**Mr. Zhou**”) will be appointed as an executive Director with effect from 1 August 2024.

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Mr. Zhou, aged 47, will be appointed as an executive Director. He is the founder of Deep Blue Ridge Capital (“**DBR Capital**”), a multi-strategy investment firm based in Hong Kong. Mr. Zhou has 20 years of experience in global mergers and acquisitions and capital markets. Before founding DBR Capital, Mr. Zhou worked with Deutsche Bank (Hong Kong) and Credit Suisse (New York), cooperating with the world’s top institutional and corporate clients to complete many cross-industry and cross-product transactions. Mr. Zhou’s career started at the Bank of China.

Mr. Zhou is currently an independent non-executive director and a member of the audit committee of China Resources Medical Holdings Company Limited (1515.HK). He holds a master’s degree in business administration from Columbia University in New York.

A service agreement has been entered into between Mr. Zhou and the Company pursuant to which he was appointed for a term of three (3) years as an executive Director. Mr. Zhou will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the requirements of the second amended and restated memorandum and articles of association of the Company. Mr. Zhou will be entitled to a remuneration of HK\$2,600,000 per annum for acting as an executive Director and is

entitled to a one-off lump sum of committed bonus of HK\$1,300,000 payable after 12 months from 1 August 2024, and was determined by the Board upon recommendations by the remuneration committee of the Board with reference to his duties and responsibilities with the Company and the prevailing market conditions and practice.

Save as disclosed above, as at the date of this announcement, Mr. Zhou (i) does not hold any other position with the Company or other members of the Group; (ii) did not hold any other directorships in other public companies the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years; (iii) does not have any other major appointments and professional qualifications; (iv) does not have any relationships with any Directors, senior management, substantial shareholders or controlling shareholders (within the meaning of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“**Listing Rules**”)) of the Company; and (v) does not have any interests in the shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap.571).

Save as disclosed herein, there is no other information relating to the appointment of Mr. Zhou as an executive Director that shall be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules nor any matters which need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company as at the date of this announcement.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mr. Zhou to join the Board.

By order of the Board  
**HKE Holdings Limited**  
**Yip Chi Keung**  
*Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 29 July 2024

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises three executive Directors, namely Mr. Lin Ho Man, Mr. Tsang Wing Fung and Mr. Koh Lee Huat, two non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Cheng Yiu Mo and Mr. Lim Kai Jia Kesley, and three independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Siu Man Ho Simon, Prof. Pong Kam Keung, and Mr. Cheung Kwok Yan Wilfred.*