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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)

**ANNOUNCEMENT ON APPROVAL OF THE QUALIFICATION AS
PRESIDENT, DIRECTOR AND VICE CHAIRMAN BY THE HENAN
REGULATORY BUREAU OF THE NATIONAL FINANCIAL
REGULATORY ADMINISTRATION**

Reference is made to the announcement of Zhongyuan Bank Co., Ltd.* (the “**Bank**”) dated April 21, 2026, the circular of the Bank dated June 5, 2026 (the “**Circular**”) and the poll results announcement of the 2025 Annual General Meeting of the Bank dated June 29, 2026, in relation to, among others, the resolution on the appointment of Mr. ZHANG Tao as an executive Director of the third session of the Board of the Bank, which was approved by the Shareholders of the Bank at the 2025 Annual General Meeting. Mr. ZHANG Tao was appointed as the President of the Bank and was elected as the Vice Chairman of the third session of the Board of the Bank at the Board meetings held on April 21, 2026 and June 29, 2026, respectively. The above appointments are subject to the approval of his qualification by the Henan Regulatory Bureau of the National Financial Regulatory Administration. Unless the context otherwise requires, terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Circular.

The Board is pleased to announce that the Bank has obtained the Approval from the Henan Financial Regulatory Bureau for the Qualification of ZHANG Tao as a President, Director and Vice Chairman of Zhongyuan Bank (Yu Jin Fu [2026] No. 201) from the Henan Regulatory Bureau of the National Financial Regulatory Administration. Pursuant to such approval document, the qualification of Mr. ZHANG Tao as President, executive Director and Vice Chairman of the Bank has been approved. His term of office commences on September 14, 2026 (the date of approval of his qualification as President, Director and Vice Chairman by the Henan Regulatory Bureau of the National Financial Regulatory Administration) and ends until the expiry of the term of office of the third session of the Board of the Bank. He shall be eligible for re-election upon the expiry of his term of office.

For the biographical details of Mr. ZHANG Tao, please refer to the Circular. As at the date of this announcement, save for the changes in positions disclosed in this announcement, there has been no change to such information.

Save as disclosed above, as at the date of this announcement, Mr. ZHANG Tao does not (i) hold any directorship in any other listed company or take up any post in any affiliated company of the Bank in the past three years; (ii) have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management, substantial Shareholders or controlling Shareholders (as defined in the Listing Rules) 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 in the Circular and this announcement, there are no other matters relating to the appointment of Mr. ZHANG Tao that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders, and there is no other information required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules.

The Bank would like to welcome Mr. ZHANG Tao as President, Director and Vice Chairman of the Bank.

By order of the Board
Zhongyuan Bank Co., Ltd.*
ZHOU Feng
Chairman

Zhengzhou, the People's Republic of China
September 17, 2026

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of the Bank comprises Mr. ZHOU Feng and Mr. ZHANG Tao as executive Directors; Mr. FENG Ruofan, Mr. LI Wenqiang and Ms. ZHANG Shu as non-executive Directors; and 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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