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28 July 2023

# **Notice of Annual General Meeting**

Dear Shareholder,

Merchant House International Limited ("**Merchant House**" or "**the Company**") will be holding its Annual General Meeting of shareholders at 11:00am (**AWST**) on 29 August 2023 at Level 1, 31 Cliff Street, Fremantle. WA 6160.

In accordance with section 110D of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth), the Company will not be sending physical copies of the Notice of Meeting (**NoM**) to shareholders unless a shareholder has elected to received notices of meeting in hard copy, pursuant to section 110E, or who otherwise request a hard copy. Instead, a copy of the NoM can be viewed and downloaded online at the following link under the "Investor Centre" link:

#### www.lorettalee.com.hk/

Should you wish to receive a physical copy of the NoM, please contact the Company Secretary via email, davidm@broadwaymgt.com.au, or via phone to +61 8 9435 3200.

A copy of the proxy form is enclosed in the NoM located at the above link. Proxy votes may be lodged by either of the following methods:

- By mail to PO Box 584, Fremantle, WA 6959; or
- By scan and email to the Company Secretary.

Your proxy voting instruction must be received by 11:00am (AWST) on 27 August 2023, being not less than 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting. Any proxy voting instructions received after this time will not be valid for the meeting.

The NoM is important and should be read in its entirety. If you are in doubt as to the course of action you should follow, you should consult your financial adviser, lawyer, accountant or other professional adviser. If you have any difficulties obtaining a copy of the NoM, please contact the Company Secretary.

Yours faithfully

MERCHANT HOUSE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

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David McArthur Company Secretary

# MERCHANT HOUSE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED ARBN 065 681 138

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Merchant House International Limited will be held at Level 1, 31 Cliff Street, Fremantle, Perth, Western Australia on Tuesday, 29 August 2023 at 11.00 am (AWST).

An Explanatory Memorandum containing information in relation to Resolution 1 to be put to the meeting accompanies this Notice.

#### **AGENDA**

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution.

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

# 2023 Accounts

To receive and consider the annual financial report, the Directors' report and the auditors' report for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 and the Directors' declaration on the accounts.

# Ordinary Resolution 1: Re-election of Director – Mr Oliver Hein

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

"That Mr Oliver Hein, a Director who retires by rotation in accordance with Clause 90 of the Company's Bye-Laws, ASX Listing Rule 14.4 and for all other purposes, and being eligible and offering himself for re-election, be re-elected as a Director."

Information about Mr Hein is set out in the Company's 2023 Annual Report.

By order of the Board D M McARTHUR

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**Company Secretary** 

Dated: 19 July 2023

#### ENTITLEMENT TO ATTEND AND VOTE

The Company may specify a time, not more than 48 hours before the Meeting, at which a "snap-shot" of Shareholders will be taken for the purposes of determining Shareholder entitlements to vote at the Annual General Meeting.

The Company's Directors have determined that all Shares of the Company that are quoted on ASX at 5:00pm (AWST) Friday, 25 August 2023 shall, for the purposes of determining voting entitlements at the Annual General Meeting, be taken to be held by the persons registered as holding the Shares at that time.

#### **PROXIES**

Please note that:

- (a) a member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy;
- (b) a proxy need not be a member of the Company; and
- (c) a member of the Company entitled to cast two or more votes may appoint two proxies and may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise, but where the proportion or number is not specified, each proxy may exercise half of the votes.

The enclosed Proxy Form provides further details on appointing proxies and lodging Proxy Forms.

#### CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVE

A Shareholder that is a corporation may appoint an individual to act as its corporate representative to vote at the Meeting in accordance with section 250D of the Corporations Act. Any corporation wishing to appoint an individual to act as its representative at the Meeting should provide that person with a certificate or letter executed in accordance with the Corporations Act authorising him or her to act as that company's representative. The authority may be sent to the Company and/or Share Registry in advance of the Meeting or handed in at the Meeting when registering as a corporate representative. A 'Certificate of Appointment of Corporate Representative' is enclosed if required.

# **ENQUIRIES**

Shareholders are invited to contact the Company Secretary, David McArthur on +61 8 9435 3200 if they have any queries in respect of the matters set out in this document.

# MERCHANT HOUSE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED ARBN 065 681 138

# **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

This Explanatory Memorandum is intended to provide shareholders with sufficient information to assess the merits of the Resolutions contained in the accompanying Notice of Annual General Meeting ("Notice") of the Company.

The Directors of the Company ("**Directors**") recommend shareholders read this Explanatory Memorandum in full before making any decision in relation to the resolutions.

The following information should be noted in respect of the various matters contained in the accompanying Notice:

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

In accordance with the Company's Bye-Laws, the business of the Meeting will include receipt and consideration of the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 31 March 2023, together with the declaration of the directors, the directors' report and the auditor's report.

The Company will not provide a hard copy of the Company's annual financial report to Shareholders unless specifically requested to do so. The Company's annual financial report is available on the Company's ASX platform (code "MHI").

There is no requirement for Shareholders to approve the Annual Financial Statements.

The Company's auditor will be present at the Annual General Meeting and Shareholders will have the opportunity to ask the auditor questions in relation to the conduct of the audit, the auditor's report, the Company's accounting policies, and the independence of the auditor.

In addition to taking questions at the Meeting, written questions to the Chair about the management of the Company, or to the Company's auditor about:

- (a) the preparation and content of the auditor's report;
- (b) the conduct of the audit:
- (c) accounting policies adopted by the Company in relation to the preparation of the Annual Financial Statements; and
- (d) the independence of the auditor in relation to the conduct of the audit,

may be submitted no later than 5 business days before the meeting date to the Company Secretary.

# ORDINARY RESOLUTION 1 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR

ASX Listing Rule 14.4 provides that a director of an entity must not hold office (without re-election) past the third annual general meeting following the director's appointment or 3 years, whichever is longer.

Clause 90 of the Company's Bye-Laws requires that at every Annual General Meeting of the Company one-third of the Directors (rounded up to the nearest whole number) shall retire from office. The Directors to retire are those who have been longest in office since their last election. A Director who retires by rotation under Clause 90 is eligible for re-election.

Mr Oliver Hein is the Director longest in office since their last election, and accordingly retires by rotation and seeks re-election as a Director.

Mr Hein is Senior Vice President Global Supply Chain for Phillips-Van Heusen and is based in New York. He has extensive experience in manufacturing in Asia given his previous experience as the Hong Kong Managing Director for the German retailer, s.Oliver. His experience is in supply chain management including accounting, planning, purchasing and production.

Mr Hein has a business administration degree and has completed Executive Management Programs in Germany, Switzerland, and London.

If Resolution 1 is passed, Mr Hein will be re-elected to the Board as a Director.

If Resolution 1 is not passed, Mr Hein will not be re-elected to the Board as a Director and the Board will have the capacity and requirement under its constitution of appointing a Director to ensure it can make up a quorum for meetings of Directors. This Director would then be required under the constitution and ASX Listing Rules to stand for election at the next AGM.

The Board unanimously supports the re-election of Mr Hein.

# **GLOSSARY**

\$ means Australian dollars.

Annual General Meeting or Meeting means the meeting convened by this Notice.

**ASX** means ASX Limited (ACN 008 624 691) or the Australian Securities Exchange, as the context requires.

**ASX Listing Rules** means the Listing Rules of ASX.

AWST means Australian Western Standard Time (Perth, Western Australia).

**Closely Related Party** of a member of the Key Management Personnel means:

- (a) a spouse or child of the member;
- (b) a child of the member's spouse;
- (c) a dependent of the member or the member's spouse;
- (d) anyone else who is one of the member's family and may be expected to influence the member, or be influenced by the member, in the member's dealing with the entity;
- (e) a company the member controls; or
- (f) a person prescribed by the Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth) for the purposes of the definition of 'closely related party' in the Corporations Act.

Company means Merchant House International Limited (ARBN 065 681 138)

**Directors** means the current directors of the Company.

**Explanatory Statement** means the explanatory statement accompanying the Notice.

**Notice** or **Notice** of **Meeting** or **Notice** of **Annual General Meeting** means this notice of Annual General Meeting including the Explanatory Statement and the Proxy Form.

**Resolutions** means the resolutions set out in the Notice of Meeting, or any one of them, as the context requires.

**Share** means a fully paid ordinary share in the capital of the Company.

Shareholder means a holder of a Share.

# **Instructions for Completing 'Appointment of Proxy' Form**

- 1. (Changes to Proxy Voting): Sections 250BB and 250BC of the Corporations Act came into effect on 1 August 2011 and apply to voting by proxy on or after that date. Section 250R(5) of the Corporations Act came into effect on 28 June 2012 and will affect the Chair's votes on undirected proxies. Shareholders and their proxies should be aware of these changes to the Corporations Act, as they will apply to this Annual General Meeting. Broadly, the changes mean that:
  - (a) if proxy holders vote, they must cast all directed proxies as directed;
  - (b) any directed proxies which are not voted will automatically default to the Chair, who must vote the proxies as directed; and
  - (c) the Chair is able to vote undirected proxies in the non-binding vote on the Remuneration Report where the Shareholder provides express authorisation for the Chair to exercise the proxy.

Further details on these changes are set out below.

- 2. (Appointing a Proxy): A member with two or more votes entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint not more than two proxies to attend and vote on a poll on their behalf. The appointment of a second proxy must be done on a separate copy of the Proxy Form. Where more than one proxy is appointed, such proxy must be allocated a proportion of the member's voting rights. If a member appoints two proxies and the appointment does not specify this proportion, each proxy may exercise half the votes. A duly appointed proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 3. (Proxy vote if appointment specifies way to vote): Section 250BB(1) of the Corporations Act provides that an appointment of a proxy may specify the way the proxy is to vote on a particular resolution and, if it does:
  - (a) the proxy need not vote on a show of hands, but if the proxy does so, the proxy must vote that way (i.e. as directed);
  - (b) if the proxy has 2 or more appointments that specify different ways to vote on the resolution the proxy must not vote on a show of hands;
  - (c) if the proxy is the chair of the meeting at which the resolution is voted on the proxy must vote on a poll, and must vote that way (i.e. as directed); and
  - (d) if the proxy is not the chair the proxy need not vote on the poll, but if the proxy does so, the proxy must vote that way (i.e. as directed).
- 4. (**Transfer of non-chair proxy to chair in certain circumstances**): Section 250BC of the Corporations Act provides that, if:
  - (a) an appointment of a proxy specifies the way the proxy is to vote on a particular resolution at a meeting of the Company's members;
  - (b) the appointed proxy is not the chair of the meeting;
  - (c) at the meeting, a poll is duly demanded on the resolution; and
  - (d) either of the following applies:
    - (i) the proxy is not recorded as attending the meeting;
    - (ii) the proxy does not vote on the resolution,

the chair of the meeting is taken, before voting on the resolution closes, to have been appointed as the proxy for the purposes of voting on the resolution at the meeting.

- 5. (Signing Instructions):
  - (a) (Individual): Where the holding is in one name, the member must sign.
  - (b) (Joint Holding): Where the holding is in more than one name, all of the members should sign.
  - (c) (**Power of Attorney**): If you have not already provided the Power of Attorney with the registry, please attach a certified photocopy of the Power of Attorney to this form when you return it.
  - (d) (Companies): Where the company has a sole director who is also the sole company secretary, that person must sign. Where the company (pursuant to Section 204A of the Corporations Act) does not

have a company secretary, a sole director can also sign alone. Otherwise, a director jointly with either another director or a company secretary must sign. Please sign in the appropriate place to indicate the office held.

- 6. (Attending the Meeting): Completion of a Proxy Form will not prevent individual members from attending the Annual General Meeting in person if they wish. Where a member completes and lodges a valid Proxy Form and attends the Annual General Meeting in person, then the proxy's authority to speak and vote for that member is suspended while the member is present at the Annual General Meeting.
- 7. (Voting in person):
  - (a) A Shareholder that is an individual may attend and vote in person at the Meeting. If you wish to attend the Meeting, please bring the attached proxy form to the Meeting to assist in registering your attendance and number of votes. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of the Meeting to facilitate this registration process.
  - (b) A Shareholder that is a corporation may appoint an individual to act as its representative to vote at the Meeting in accordance with Section 250D of the Corporations Act. The appropriate "Certificate of Appointment of Corporate Representative" should be produced prior to admission. A form of the Certificate is enclosed with this Notice of Meeting
- 8. (**Return of Proxy Form**): To vote by proxy, please complete and sign the enclosed Proxy Form and return the Proxy Form (and any Power of Attorney under which it is signed):
  - (a) In person to Level 1, 31 Cliff Street, Fremantle, WA 6160;
  - (b) By mail to PO Box 584, Fremantle, WA, 6959.
  - (c) By scan and email to davidm@broadwaymgt.com.au

so that it is received at least 48 hours prior to commencement of the Annual General Meeting. Proxy Forms received later than this time will be invalid.

# CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT OF CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVE

# **Shareholder Details**

This is to certify that by a resolution of the directors of:					
Insert name of corpo	rate representative				
in accordance with the provisions of section 250D corporate representative of that Company at the ann House International Limited to be held on Tuesday, 2 and at any adjournments of that annual general meeting	nual general meeting of the members of Merchant 29 August 2023 commencing at 11.00 am (AWST)				
DATED2023					
Please sign here					
Executed by the Company ) in accordance with its constituent documents )					
Signed by authorised representative	Signed by authorised representative				
Name of authorised representative (print)	Name of authorised representative (print)				
Position of authorised representative (print)	Position of authorised representative (print)				

# **Instructions for Completion**

- Insert name of appointing Shareholder Company and the name or position of the appointee corporate representative (eg "John Smith" or "each director of the Company").
- Execute the Certificate following the procedure required by your Constitution or other constituent documents.
- Print the name and position (eg director) of each authorised company officer who signs this Certificate on behalf of the Company.
- Insert the date of execution where indicated.
- Prior to the Meeting, send or deliver the Certificate to the registered office of Merchant House International Limited at Level 1, 31 Cliff Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160.

# Merchant House International Limited

ARBN 065 681 138

# Need assistance?



Phone:

1300 850 505 (within Australia) +61 3 9415 4000 (outside Australia)



Online:

www.investorcentre.com/contact



# YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

For your proxy appointment to be effective it must be received by 11:00am (AWST) on Sunday, 27 August 2023.

# **Proxy Form**

# How to Vote on Items of Business

All your securities will be voted in accordance with your directions.

#### APPOINTMENT OF PROXY

**Voting 100% of your holding:** Direct your proxy how to vote by marking one of the boxes opposite each item of business. If you do not mark a box your proxy may vote or abstain as they choose (to the extent permitted by law). If you mark more than one box on an item your vote will be invalid on that item.

**Voting a portion of your holding:** Indicate a portion of your voting rights by inserting the percentage or number of securities you wish to vote in the For, Against or Abstain box or boxes. The sum of the votes cast must not exceed your voting entitlement or 100%.

**Appointing a second proxy:** You are entitled to appoint up to two proxies to attend the meeting and vote on a poll. If you appoint two proxies you must specify the percentage of votes or number of securities for each proxy, otherwise each proxy may exercise half of the votes. When appointing a second proxy write both names and the percentage of votes or number of securities for each in Step 1 overleaf.

A proxy need not be a securityholder of the Company.

## SIGNING INSTRUCTIONS FOR POSTAL FORMS

Individual: Where the holding is in one name, the securityholder must sign.

**Joint Holding:** Where the holding is in more than one name, all of the securityholders should sign.

**Power of Attorney:** If you have not already lodged the Power of Attorney with the registry, please attach a certified photocopy of the Power of Attorney to this form when you return it.

**Companies:** Where the company has a Sole Director who is also the Sole Company Secretary, this form must be signed by that person. If the company (pursuant to section 204A of the Corporations Act 2001) does not have a Company Secretary, a Sole Director can also sign alone. Otherwise this form must be signed by a Director jointly with either another Director or a Company Secretary. Please sign in the appropriate place to indicate the office held. Delete titles as applicable.

#### PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING

## **Corporate Representative**

If a representative of a corporate securityholder or proxy is to participate in the meeting you will need to provide the appropriate "Appointment of Corporate Representative". A form may be obtained from Computershare or online at www.investorcentre.com/au and select "Printable Forms".

# **Lodge your Proxy Form:**

## By Mail:

Level 1 31 Cliff Street Fremantle WA 6160 Australia

#### By Email:

davidm@broadwaymgt.com.au



PLEASE NOTE: For security reasons it is important that you keep your SRN/HIN confidential.

You may elect to receive meeting-related documents, or request a particular one, in electronic or physical form and may elect not to receive annual reports. To do so, contact Computershare.

	mark this box and make the correction in the space to the left. Securityholders sponsored by a broker (reference number commences with 'X') should advise your broker of any changes.	
Proxy Form	Please mark	to indicate your directions
Step 1 Appoint a Proxy to V	ote on Your Behalf	XX
I/We being a member/s of Merchant House Into	ernational Limited hereby appoint	
the Chairman of the Meeting	you	LEASE NOTE: Leave this box blank if u have selected the Chairman of the setting. Do not insert your own name(s).
act generally at the meeting on my/our behalf and the extent permitted by law, as the proxy sees fit)	or if no individual or body corporate is named, the Chairman o I to vote in accordance with the following directions (or if no dir at the Annual General Meeting of Merchant House Internation 29 August 2023 at 11:00am (AWST) and at any adjournment	rections have been given, and to nal Limited to be held at Level 1,
Step 2 Item of Business	<b>PLEASE NOTE:</b> If you mark the <b>Abstain</b> box for an item, you are directly behalf on a show of hands or a poll and your votes will not be counted	0, 1,
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Resolution 1 Re-election of Director – Mr Olive	r Hein	

The Chairman of the Meeting intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of the item of business. In exceptional circumstances, the Chairman of the Meeting may change his/her voting intention on the resolution, in which case an ASX announcement will be made.

Step 3 Signature of	Securityhold	er(s) This sec	tion must be completed.		
Individual or Securityholder 1	Securityholder 2		Securityholder 3		
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Sole Director & Sole Company Secretar	y Director		Director/Company Secretary	Date	
Update your communication details (Optional)  Mobile Number Email		Email Address	By providing your email address, you consent to receive future Notice ail Address of Meeting & Proxy communications electronically		





