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### 祈福生活服務

### CLIFFORD MODERN LIVING HOLDINGS LIMITED

### 祈福生活服務控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 3686)

# PROPOSED RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND PROPOSED GRANTING OF GENERAL MANDATES TO

PROPOSED GRANTING OF GENERAL MANDATES TO REPURCHASE SHARES AND TO ISSUE SHARES AND SELL TREASURY SHARES AND

PROPOSED DECLARATION OF FINAL DIVIDEND AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The notice convening the Annual General Meeting of Clifford Modern Living Holdings Limited 祈福生活服務控股有限公司 to be held at Function Room 23H, Level 23, One Island East, 18 Westlands Road, Taikoo Place, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong on Friday, 20 June 2025 at 11:00 a.m. is set out on pages 17 to 21 in this circular.

Whether or not you are able to attend the Annual General Meeting, please complete and sign the enclosed form of proxy for use at the Annual General Meeting in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it to the Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong as soon as possible but in any event not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the Annual General Meeting (i.e. not later than 11:00 a.m. (Hong Kong time) on Wednesday, 18 June 2025) or the adjourned meeting (as the case may be). Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude Shareholders from attending and voting in person at the Annual General Meeting or any adjourned meeting if they so wish.

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This circular is prepared in both English and Chinese.

In the event of inconsistency, the English text of this circular will prevail.

### **DEFINITIONS**

In this circular, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

"Annual General Meeting" the annual general meeting of the Company to be held at Function

Room 23H, Level 23, One Island East, 18 Westlands Road, Taikoo Place, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong on Friday, 20 June 2025 at 11:00 a.m., to consider and, if appropriate, to approve the resolutions contained in the notice of the meeting which is set out on pages 17 to 21 of

this circular, or any adjournment thereof

"Articles of Association" the articles of association of the Company currently in force

"Audit Committee" the audit committee of the Board

"Board" the board of Directors

"CCASS" Central Clearing and Settlement System, a securities settlement

system used within the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited

market system

"Companies Act" the Companies Act (as revised) of the Cayman Islands

"Company" or "our Company" Clifford Modern Living Holdings Limited (祈福生活服務控股有限

公司), a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability, the Shares of which are listed on the

Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 3686)

"controlling shareholder(s)" has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules

"Director(s)" the director(s) of the Company

"Group" the Company and its subsidiaries from time to time

"HKSCC" Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited

"HK\$" Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong

"Hong Kong" the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC

"Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar" Tricor Investor Services Limited, the branch share registrar of the

Company in Hong Kong

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"Issuance Mandate" a general mandate proposed to be granted to the Directors to allot, issue or deal with additional Shares and/or to sell or transfer Treasury Shares (if any) of not exceeding 20% of the total number of issued Shares (excluding Treasury Shares, if any) as at the date of passing of the proposed ordinary resolution contained in item 9 of the notice of the Annual General Meeting as set out on pages 18 to 19 of this circular "Latest Practicable Date" 17 April 2025, being the latest practicable date prior to the printing of this circular for ascertaining certain information in this circular "Listing Rules" the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange as amended from time to time "Memorandum" the memorandum of association of the Company currently in force "Nomination Committee" the nomination committee of the Board "PRC" the People's Republic of China "Private Group" such companies which are under the control of (or 30% or more of the issued share capital of which are owned by) Mr. PANG Lun Kee Clifford (彭磷基先生), the spouse of Ms. MAN Lai Hung "Remuneration Committee" the remuneration committee of the Board "RMB" Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC "SFO" The Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong), as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time "Share(s)" ordinary share(s) of HK\$0.01 each in the issued share capital of the Company "Share Repurchase Mandate" a general mandate proposed to be granted to the Directors to repurchase Shares on the Stock Exchange of not exceeding 10% of the total number of issued Shares (excluding Treasury Shares, if any) as at the date of passing of the proposed ordinary resolution contained in item 8 of the notice of the Annual General Meeting "Shareholder(s)" the registered holder(s) of Share(s) "Stock Exchange" The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules

"substantial shareholder(s)"

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"Takeovers Code"

The Codes on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Buy-backs published by the Securities and Futures Commission as amended from time to time

"Treasury Shares"

has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules which will come into effect on June 11, 2024 and as amended from time to time

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### **CLIFFORD MODERN LIVING HOLDINGS LIMITED**

### 祈福生活服務控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 3686)

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Ms. HO Suk Mee

Mr. LIU Xing

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Ms. LIANG Yuhua

Independent non-executive Directors:

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Mr. HO Cham

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Hong Kong

28 April 2025

To the Shareholders

Dear Sir/Madam,

PROPOSED RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

**AND** 

PROPOSED GRANTING OF GENERAL MANDATES TO REPURCHASE SHARES AND TO ISSUE SHARES AND SELL TREASURY SHARES

**AND** 

PROPOSED DECLARATION OF FINAL DIVIDEND AND

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this circular is to provide the Shareholders with information in respect of certain resolutions to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting to be held on Friday, 20 June 2025 for (a) the re-election of the retiring Directors and the granting of the authority to the Board to fix the Directors' remuneration; (b) the granting to the Directors of the Share Repurchase Mandate, the Issuance Mandate and extension of the Issuance Mandate; (c) the proposed declaration of final dividend; and (d) giving of notice of the Annual General Meeting.

### 2. PROPOSED RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the Board comprised (i) Ms. MAN Lai Hung (Chairman), Ms. HO Suk Mee and Mr. LIU Xing as executive Directors; (ii) Ms. LIANG Yuhua as a non-executive Director; and (iii) Ms. LAW Elizabeth, Mr. HO Cham and Mr. MAK Ping Leung (alias Mr. MAK Wah Cheung) as independent non-executive Directors.

Pursuant to Articles 107(A) and (B) of the Articles of Association, Ms. MAN Lai Hung, Ms. HO Suk Mee and Mr. HO Cham shall retire at the Annual General Meeting. All of the above retiring Directors, being eligible, will offer themselves for re-election at the Annual General Meeting.

The Nomination Committee has reviewed the structure and composition of the Board, the confirmations and disclosures given by the Directors, the qualifications, skills and experience, time commitment and contribution of the Directors with reference to the nomination principles and criteria set out in the Company's board diversity policy and director nomination policy and the Company's corporate strategy, and the independence of all independent non-executive Directors. The Nomination Committee has recommended to the Board on re-election of all the above-mentioned retiring Directors including the aforesaid independent non-executive Director who is due to retire at the Annual General Meeting.

On the re-appointment of Ms. MAN Lai Hung and Ms. HO Suk Mee as executive Directors, the Nomination Committee considered, and the Board shared the same views, that at all times during their directorships with the Company, they have properly discharged duties and responsibilities as executive Directors and have made positive contributions to the development of the Company through constructive and informed comments and participation at the business and other affairs relating to the Group.

With their diverse educational background, professional knowledge and experience as set out in Appendix I to this circular, the Nomination Committee and the Board also considered that Ms. MAN Lai Hung and Ms. HO Suk Mee as executive Directors can contribute to the diversity of the Board.

On the re-appointment of Mr. HO Cham as an independent non-executive Director, the Nomination Committee considered, and the Board shared the same views, that at all times during his directorship with the Company, he has properly discharged duties and responsibilities as an independent non-executive Director and has made positive contributions to the development of the Company through independent, constructive and informed comments and participation at the business and other affairs relating to the Group.

In addition, the Company received a confirmation of independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules from each of the independent non-executive Directors. In this regard, the Board is satisfied that Mr. HO Cham is independent considering the factors set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules and is a person of integrity and stature and believes that his re-election and continued appointment will allow the Board as well as the Company to continuously benefit from the sharing of his experience, contributions and participation.

With the recommendation of the Nomination Committee, the Board believes the re-election of Ms. MAN Lai Hung and Ms. HO Suk Mee as executive Directors, and Mr. HO Cham as an independent non-executive Director is in the best interest of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole and recommends their re-election at the Annual General Meeting.

Biographical information of the above retiring Directors offering themselves for re-election at the Annual General Meeting are set out in Appendix I to this circular.

#### 3. PROPOSED GRANTING OF GENERAL MANDATE TO REPURCHASE SHARES

At the annual general meeting of the Company held on 21 June 2024, a general mandate was granted to the Directors to repurchase Shares. Such mandate will lapse at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting. In order to give the Company the flexibility to repurchase Shares if and when appropriate, an ordinary resolution will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting to approve the granting of the Share Repurchase Mandate to the Directors to repurchase Shares on the Stock Exchange of not exceeding 10% of the total number of issued Shares (excluding Treasury Shares, if any) as at the date of passing of the proposed ordinary resolution contained in item 8 of the notice of the Annual General Meeting as set out on page 18 of this circular (i.e. a total of 101,575,000 Shares on the basis that the issued share capital of the Company remains unchanged on the date of the Annual General Meeting).

The Share Repurchase Mandate, if granted, will be effective until whichever is the earliest of (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting is required to be held by the Articles of Association, the Companies Act or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands; and (iii) the passing of an ordinary resolution by the Shareholders in a general meeting of the Company revoking or varying the authority given to the Directors.

An explanatory statement required by the Listing Rules to provide the Shareholders with requisite information reasonably necessary for them to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against the granting of the Share Repurchase Mandate is set out in Appendix II to this circular.

The Directors wish to state that they have no immediate plan to repurchase any Shares pursuant to the Share Repurchase Mandate.

## 4. PROPOSED GRANTING OF GENERAL MANDATE TO ISSUE SHARES AND SELL TREASURY SHARES

At the annual general meeting of the Company held on 21 June 2024, a general mandate was granted to the Directors to issue Shares. Such mandate will lapse at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting. In order to give the Company the flexibility to issue Shares if and when appropriate, an ordinary resolution will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting to approve the granting of the Issuance Mandate to the Directors to allot, issue or deal with additional Shares and/or to sell or transfer Treasury Shares (if any) of not exceeding 20% of the total number of issued Shares (excluding Treasury Shares, if any) as at the date of passing of the proposed ordinary resolution contained in item 9 of the notice of the Annual General Meeting as set out on pages 18 to 19 of this circular (i.e. a total of 203,150,000 Shares on the basis that the issued share capital of the Company remains unchanged on the date of the Annual General Meeting). The Issuance Mandate, if granted, will be effective until the earliest of (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting is required to be held by the Articles of Association, the Companies Act or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands; and (iii) the passing of an ordinary resolution by the Shareholders in a general meeting of the Company revoking or varying the authority given to the Directors. An ordinary resolution to extend the Issuance Mandate by adding the number of Shares repurchased by the Company pursuant to the Share Repurchase Mandate will also be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

The Directors wish to state that they have no immediate plan to issue any Shares pursuant to the Issuance Mandate other than the Shares which may fall to be issued under any of the share option schemes of the Company.

### 5. DECLARATION OF FINAL DIVIDEND

On 28 March 2025, the Company made an announcement in relation to its audited consolidated financial results for the year ended 31 December 2024 whereby the Board has recommended a final cash dividend of HK4.50 cents per Share for the year ended 31 December 2024. Subject to the passing of the resolution approving the payment of such final dividend at the Annual General Meeting, such final dividend will be paid on Thursday, 31 July 2025.

For determining the entitlement to the proposed final dividend, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 3 July 2025 to Friday, 4 July 2025, both dates inclusive, during which period no transfer of Shares will be registered. In order to qualify for the entitlement to the proposed final dividend, unregistered holders of Shares shall ensure that all transfers of Shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar, at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 2 July 2025.

#### 6. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND PROXY ARRANGEMENT

The notice of the Annual General Meeting is set out on pages 17 to 21 of this circular.

Pursuant to the Listing Rules and the Articles of Association, any vote of Shareholders at a general meeting must be taken by poll except where the chairman decides to allow a resolution purely relating to a procedural or administrative matter to be voted on by a show of hands. An announcement on the poll results will be published by the Company after the Annual General Meeting in the manner prescribed under the Listing Rules (and the Articles of Association, as applicable). None of the Shareholders is required to abstain from voting on any resolutions to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting pursuant to the Listing Rules and/or the Articles of Association.

A form of proxy for use at the Annual General Meeting is enclosed with this circular and such form of proxy is also published on the websites of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (www.hkexnews.hk) and the Company (www.cliffordmodernliving.com). To be valid, the form of proxy must be completed and signed in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and deposited, together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a certified copy of that power of attorney or authority at the Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar, at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong as soon as possible but in any event not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the Annual General Meeting (i.e. not later than 11:00 a.m. (Hong Kong time) on Wednesday, 18 June 2025) or the adjourned meeting (as the case may be). Completion and delivery of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the Annual General Meeting or any adjourned meeting if you so wish.

### 7. RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

This circular, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief the information contained in this circular is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this circular misleading.

### 8. RECOMMENDATION

The Directors consider that the proposed re-election of retiring Directors, the proposed granting of the Share Repurchase Mandate, the Issuance Mandate and extension of the Issuance Mandate are in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole. Accordingly, the Directors recommend the Shareholders to vote in favour of the relevant resolutions to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

### 9. GENERAL

Your attention is drawn to the additional information set out in the appendices to this circular.

Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of the Board

### CLIFFORD MODERN LIVING HOLDINGS LIMITED

祈福生活服務控股有限公司

**MAN Lai Hung** 

Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director

# DETAILS OF THE DIRECTORS PROPOSED TO BE RE-ELECTED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The following are details of the Directors who will retire and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election at the Annual General Meeting.

(1) Ms. MAN Lai Hung (孟麗紅), aged 65, is the chairman of the Group, the chief executive officer of the Company and an executive Director. Ms. Man was appointed as the chairman of the Nomination Committee and a member of the Remuneration Committee of the Board on 7 November 2016, and was appointed as the chairman of the environmental, social and governance committee ("ESG Committee") of the Board on 9 June 2022. Ms. Man joined the Group in October 1998 and is the founder of the Group and has since been in charge of the strategic development, management, operations as well as the overall performance of the Group. Ms. Man obtained a degree of Bachelor of Business Administration from The Chinese University of Hong Kong in December 1982.

Ms. Man was appointed as a member of the Thirteenth National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference\* (中國人民政治協商會議第十三屆全國 政協委員會) in January 2018 and a member of the Fourteenth National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference\* (中國人民政治協商會議第十四 屆全國政協委員會) in January 2023. She also takes part in other social public services including being a member of the Thirteenth All-China Women's Federation\* (中華全國 婦女聯合會), a member of the standing committee of the Fifteenth Beijing Women's Federation\* (北京市婦女聯合會), the chairman of the Twelfth Council of the Superiors Management Board of Chamber of Commerce of Guangzhou Foreign Investment Enterprises\* (廣州外商投資企業商會), the vice president of the Sixteenth Executive Committee of the Guangzhou Chamber of Commerce\* (廣州市工商業聯合會(總商會)), the vice president and member of the standing committee of the Executive Committee of Hong Kong Federation of Guangzhou Association (香港廣州社團總會), the vice president of New Home Association\* (香港新家園協會), the honorary chairman of Hong Kong Guangdong Youth Association (香港廣東青年總會), an advisor of Our Hong Kong Foundation (團結 香港基金), a fellow member of Hong Kong Institute of Directors, the honorary chairman of Baise City Education Fund\* (百色市教育基金會), the co-founder of Hong Kong Coalition (香港再出發大聯盟), a member of The Hong Kong Chinese Importers' & Exporters' Association (香港中華出入口商會), the honorary consultant of Hong Kong CPPCC Youth Association (香港政協青年聯會) and the honorary chairman of the First Executive Committee of the Hong Kong Federation of Guangzhou Women Association (香港廣州婦 聯總會). Ms. Man was one of the winners of the Fourth Outstanding Entrepreneur Social Responsibility Award\* (第四屆傑出企業家社會責任獎) organised by The Mirror (鏡報) in Hong Kong in March 2015, was granted the sixteenth batch honorary citizen of Guangzhou in November 2018 and was awarded "Greater Bay Area Outstanding Woman Entrepreneur Awards 2018" in December 2018. She received the honorary title of The National March 8th Red-banner Holder in Anti-COVID-19 Measure\* (抗擊新冠肺炎疫情全國三八紅旗手) in September 2020 and was awarded the Outstanding Businesswomen Award 2021 organised by Hong Kong Commercial Daily in December 2021.

# DETAILS OF THE DIRECTORS PROPOSED TO BE RE-ELECTED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Ms. Man had interest in 5,330,000 Shares and was deemed to be interested in 735,840,000 Shares by virtue of her interest in Elland Holdings Limited within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, Ms. Man does not at present, nor did she in the past three years, hold any directorship in other public companies, the securities of which are listed in Hong Kong or overseas, or other major appointments and professional qualifications. Ms. Man does not have any relationship with other Directors, senior management, or substantial or controlling Shareholders.

Ms. Man has entered into a service contract with the Company for a term of three years commenced from 1 October 2024 and the service contract shall continue unless and until terminated by not less than three months' notice in writing served by either party to another. Ms. Man is also subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association. Pursuant to her service contract, Ms. Man is entitled to receive an annual director's fee of HK\$216,000. The emoluments of Ms. Man are determined by the Board with reference to her duties and responsibilities with the Company and are subject to review by the Remuneration Committee from time to time with reference to the Company's performance and profitability, as well as remuneration benchmark in the industry and prevailing market condition.

Save as disclosed above, there is no other information of Ms. Man that is disclosable pursuant to paragraphs (h) to (v) of Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules, nor are there any other matters that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

(2) Ms. HO Suk Mee (何淑娟), aged 57, is an executive Director and a marketing director of the Group. She is primarily responsible for business development and marketing matters of the Group. Ms. Ho is a member of the ESG Committee.

Ms. Ho was awarded a Diploma in Design (Packaging & Advertising) by the Sha Tin Technical Institute in 1988 and a Higher Certificate in Marketing & Sales Management by the Hong Kong Polytechnic University in 1993.

Ms. Ho joined the Group in December 2018. Before joining the Group, Ms. Ho was a marketing director of the Private Group and she was responsible for leading and managing marketing matters of the overall business segments of the Private Group. Ms. Ho joined the Private Group as assistant marketing officer in 1994 and became a marketing manager managing the overall marketing matters in 2000, and was promoted to marketing director in 2006.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Ms. Ho did not have any interest in the Shares or underlying shares of the Company or its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

# DETAILS OF THE DIRECTORS PROPOSED TO BE RE-ELECTED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Save as disclosed above, Ms. Ho does not at present, nor did she in the past three years, hold any directorship in other public companies, the securities of which are listed in Hong Kong or overseas, or other major appointments and professional qualifications. Ms. Ho does not have any relationship with other Directors, senior management, or substantial or controlling Shareholders.

Ms. Ho has entered into a service contract with the Company for a term of three years commenced from 1 December 2024 and the service contract shall continue unless and until terminated by not less than three months' notice in writing served by either party to another. Ms. Ho is also subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association. Pursuant to her service contract, Ms. Ho will be entitled to (a) a salary of HK\$480,240 on an annual basis for rendering services as provided under the service contract; and (b) (in addition to the salary) a fee of HK\$216,000 on an annual basis for assuming the office of a Director, which is determined by the Remuneration Committee with reference to her experience and qualification, her duties and responsibilities in the Group, the remuneration standard in the industry and the prevailing market conditions.

Save as disclosed above, there is no other information of Ms. Ho that is disclosable pursuant to paragraphs (h) to (v) of Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules, nor are there any other matters that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

(3) Mr. HO Cham (何湛), aged 67, is an independent non-executive Director and a member of the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee respectively. He was appointed as an independent non-executive Director in 2016. Mr. Ho was awarded a degree of Bachelor of Laws and the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws by the University of Hong Kong in November 1980 and July 1981 respectively. Mr. Ho was admitted as a solicitor of the Supreme Court of Hong Kong (currently known as the High Court of Hong Kong) in March 1983 and as a solicitor of the Supreme Court of England in January 1990. Mr. Ho is currently a practising solicitor in Hong Kong.

From July 1981 to February 1983, Mr. Ho worked as an article clerk at Johnson Stokes and Master. In March 1983, Mr. Ho joined Ho and Wong as an assistant solicitor and became a partner of Ho and Wong in 1987. Currently, Mr. Ho is the senior and managing partner of Ho and Wong.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Ho did not have any interest in the Shares or underlying shares of the Company or its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Ho does not at present, nor did he in the past three years, hold any directorship in other public companies, the securities of which are listed in Hong Kong or overseas, or other major appointments and professional qualifications. Mr. Ho does not have any relationship with other Directors, senior management, or substantial or controlling Shareholders.

### **APPENDIX I**

# DETAILS OF THE DIRECTORS PROPOSED TO BE RE-ELECTED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Mr. Ho has confirmed to the Company: (1) his independence regarding each of the factors referred to in Rule 3.13(1) to (8) of the Listing Rules; (2) that he has no financial or other interest in the Group's business in the past and up to the Latest Practicable Date, and does not have any connections with any core connected persons (as such term is defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company; and (3) that there are no other factors that may affect his independence as of the Latest Practicable Date and the anticipated date of his re-election.

Mr. Ho has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company for a term of three years commenced from 1 November 2022 and the letter of appointment shall continue unless and until terminated by not less than three months' notice in writing served by either party to another. Mr. Ho is also subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association. Pursuant to his letter of appointment, Mr. Ho is entitled to receive an annual director's fee of HK\$216,000. The emoluments of Mr. Ho are determined by the Board with reference to his duties and responsibilities with the Company and are subject to review by the Remuneration Committee from time to time with reference to the Company's performance and profitability, as well as remuneration benchmark in the industry and prevailing market condition.

Save as disclosed above, there is no other information of Mr. Ho that is disclosable pursuant to paragraphs (h) to (v) of Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules, nor are there any other matters that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

# EXPLANATORY STATEMENT ON THE SHARE REPURCHASE MANDATE

The following is an explanatory statement required by the Listing Rules to provide the Shareholders with requisite information reasonably necessary for them to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against the ordinary resolution to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting in relation to the granting of the Share Repurchase Mandate.

#### 1. SHARE CAPITAL

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the issued share capital of the Company comprised 1,015,750,000 Shares.

Subject to the passing of the ordinary resolution set out in item 8 of the notice of the Annual General Meeting as set out on page 18 of this circular in respect of the granting of the Share Repurchase Mandate and on the basis that the issued share capital of the Company remains unchanged on the date of the Annual General Meeting, the Directors would be authorised under the Share Repurchase Mandate to repurchase, during the period in which the Share Repurchase Mandate remains in force, not exceeding a total of 101,575,000 Shares, representing 10% of the total number of Shares in issue (excluding Treasury Shares, if any) as at the date of the Annual General Meeting.

### 2. REASONS FOR SHARE REPURCHASE

The Directors believe that the granting of the Share Repurchase Mandate is in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

Repurchase of Shares may, depending on the market conditions and funding arrangements at the time, lead to an enhancement of the net asset value per Share and/or earnings per Share and will only be made when the Directors believe that such a repurchase will benefit the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

Subject to the compliance with the Listing Rules and all applicable laws and regulations, the Company may cancel any Shares it repurchased and/or hold such Shares as Treasury Shares for subsequent sale or transfer subject to consideration of factors including market conditions and the Group's capital management needs at the relevant time of the repurchases.

### 3. FUNDING OF SHARE REPURCHASE

The Company may only apply funds legally available for Share repurchase in accordance with its Memorandum and Articles of Association, the laws of the Cayman Islands and/or any other applicable laws, as the case may be.

### 4. IMPACT OF SHARE REPURCHASE

There might be a material adverse impact on the working capital or gearing position of the Company (as compared with the position disclosed in the audited accounts contained in the annual report of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2024) in the event that the Share Repurchase Mandate was to be carried out in full at any time during the proposed repurchase period. However, the Directors do not intend to exercise the Share Repurchase Mandate to such an extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements of the Company or the gearing levels which in the opinion of the Directors are from time to time appropriate for the Company.

### 5. MARKET PRICES OF SHARES

The highest and lowest prices per Share at which Shares have traded on the Stock Exchange during each of the previous 12 months up to and including the Latest Practicable Date were as follows:

Month	Highest	Lowest
	HK\$	HK\$
April 2024	0.467	0.377
May 2024	0.475	0.425
June 2024	0.495	0.435
July 2024	0.450	0.400
August 2024	0.420	0.400
September 2024	0.465	0.400
October 2024	0.510	0.450
November 2024	0.530	0.485
December 2024	0.520	0.495
January 2025	0.580	0.51
February 2025	0.710	0.550
March 2025	0.578	0.480
April 2025 (up to the Latest Practicable Date)	0.520	0.480

### 6. GENERAL

To the best of their knowledge and having made all reasonable enquiries, none of the Directors nor any of their respective close associates (as defined in the Listing Rules) have any present intention to sell any Shares to the Company in the event that the granting of the Share Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders.

The Company has not been notified by any core connected persons (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company that they have a present intention to sell any Shares to the Company, or that they have undertaken not to sell any Shares held by them to the Company in the event that the granting of the Share Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders.

The Directors will exercise the power of the Company to repurchase Shares pursuant to the Share Repurchase Mandate in accordance with the Articles of Association, the Listing Rules and the applicable laws of the Cayman Islands.

The Company has confirmed that neither the explanatory statement nor the proposed Share repurchase has any unusual features.

# EXPLANATORY STATEMENT ON THE SHARE REPURCHASE MANDATE

For any Treasury Shares deposited with CCASS pending resale on the Stock Exchange, the Company shall, upon approval by the Board, implement the below interim measures which include (without limitation):

- (i) procuring its broker not to give any instructions to HKSCC to vote at general meetings for the Treasury Shares deposited with CCASS;
- (ii) in the case of dividends or distributions (if any and where applicable), withdrawing the Treasury Shares from CCASS, and either re-register them in its own name as Treasury Shares or cancel them, in each case before the relevant record date for the dividend or distributions; and
- (iii) taking any other measures to ensure that it will not exercise any Shareholders' rights or receive any entitlements which would otherwise be suspended under the applicable laws if those Shares were registered in its own name as Treasury Shares.

### 7. TAKEOVERS CODE

If as a result of a repurchase of Shares pursuant to the Share Repurchase Mandate, a Shareholder's proportionate interest in the voting rights of the Company increases, such increase will be treated as an acquisition of voting rights for the purposes of the Takeovers Code. Accordingly, a Shareholder or a group of Shareholders acting in concert (within the meaning under the Takeovers Code), depending on the level of increase in the Shareholder's interest, could obtain or consolidate control of the Company and thereby become obliged to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

To the best knowledge and belief of the Directors, as at the Latest Practicable Date, Elland Holdings Limited and Ms. MAN Lai Hung, the controlling Shareholders, together held 741,170,000 Shares, representing approximately 72.97% of the total issued share capital of the Company.

In the event that the Directors exercise in full the power to repurchase Shares which is proposed to be granted under the Share Repurchase Mandate, the shareholding of Elland Holdings Limited and Ms. MAN Lai Hung would be increased to approximately 81.08% of the issued share capital of the Company. The Directors consider that such increase would not give rise to an obligation to make a mandatory offer under Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code but would reduce the percentage of Shares held by the public to below the prescribed minimum percentage of 25% required by the Stock Exchange.

The Directors have no intention to exercise the Share Repurchase Mandate to such an extent as may result in the number of Shares held by the public Shareholders falling below the prescribed minimum percentage of 25% required by the Stock Exchange.

### 8. SHARE REPURCHASE MADE BY THE COMPANY

During the six months prior to the Latest Practicable Date, the Company had not repurchased any of the Shares (whether on the Stock Exchange or otherwise).



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### **CLIFFORD MODERN LIVING HOLDINGS LIMITED**

### 祈福生活服務控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 3686)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the annual general meeting (the "Meeting" or "Annual General Meeting") of Clifford Modern Living Holdings Limited 祈福生活服務控股有限公司 (the "Company") will be held at Function Room 23H, Level 23, One Island East, 18 Westlands Road, Taikoo Place, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong on Friday, 20 June 2025 at 11:00 a.m. for the following purposes:

As ordinary business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:

- 1. To receive the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and the reports of the directors of the Company (the "**Director**(s)") and independent auditors for the year ended 31 December 2024.
- 2. To declare a final dividend of HK4.50 cents per ordinary share of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2024.
- 3. To re-elect Ms. MAN Lai Hung as an executive Director.
- 4. To re-elect Ms. HO Suk Mee as an executive Director.
- 5. To re-elect Mr. HO Cham as an independent non-executive Director.
- 6. To authorise the board of directors (the "**Board**") to fix the remuneration of the Director.
- 7. To re-appoint Moore CPA Limited as independent auditors and to authorise the Board to fix their remuneration.

8. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

### "THAT:

- (a) subject to compliance with the prevailing requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") and paragraph (b) below, a general mandate be and is hereby generally and unconditionally given to the Directors to exercise during the Relevant Period (as defined below) all the powers of the Company to repurchase its shares in accordance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations;
- (b) the total number of shares of the Company to be repurchased pursuant to the mandate in paragraph (a) above shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company (excluding Treasury Shares, if any) as at the date of passing of this resolution (subject to adjustment in the case of any consolidation or subdivision of shares of the Company after the date of passing of this resolution); and
- (c) for the purposes of this resolution:
  - "Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:
  - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
  - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company or any applicable laws to be held; and
  - (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting."
- 9. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

### "THAT:

(a) subject to compliance with the prevailing requirements of the Listing Rules and paragraph (b) below, a general mandate be and is hereby generally and unconditionally given to the directors of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company and/or to sell or transfer Treasury Shares (if any) and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers during or after the end of the Relevant Period (as defined below) in accordance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations;

- (b) the aggregate number of shares allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted and Treasury Shares, if any, sold or transferred or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be sold or transferred by the Directors pursuant to the mandate in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to:
  - (i) a Rights Issue (as defined below);
  - (ii) the exercise of options under a share option scheme of the Company or shares issued to satisfy awards granted under the share award scheme of the Company; and
  - (iii) any scrip dividend scheme or similar arrangement providing for the allotment of shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on shares of the Company in accordance with the articles of association of the Company,

shall not exceed 20% of the total number of issued shares of the Company (excluding Treasury Shares, if any) as at the date of passing of this resolution (subject to adjustment in the case of any consolidation or subdivision of shares of the Company after the date of passing of this resolution); and

(c) for the purposes of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company or any applicable laws to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting.

"Rights Issue" means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors to holders of shares of the Company or any class thereof on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares or class thereof (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of any relevant jurisdiction or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange)."

10. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

"THAT conditional upon the passing of the resolutions set out in items 8 and 9 of the notice convening this Meeting (the "Notice"), the general mandate referred to in the resolution set out in item 9 of the Notice be and is hereby extended by the addition to the aggregate number of shares which may be allotted and issued or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted and issued and Treasury Shares, if any, sold or transferred or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be sold or transferred by the Directors pursuant to such general mandate of the number of shares repurchased by the Company pursuant to the mandate referred to in the resolution set out in item 8 of the Notice, provided that such number of shares shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company (excluding Treasury Shares, if any) as at the date of passing of this resolution (subject to adjustment in the case of any consolidation or subdivision of shares of the Company after the date of passing of this resolution)."

By Order of the Board
CLIFFORD MODERN LIVING HOLDINGS LIMITED
祈福生活服務控股有限公司
MAN Lai Hung

Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 28 April 2025

#### Notes:

- 1. All resolutions at the Meeting will be taken by poll (except where the chairman decides to allow a resolution relating to a procedural or administrative matter to be voted on by a show of hands) pursuant to the Company's articles of association and the Listing Rules. The results of the poll will be published on the websites of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and the Company in accordance with the Listing Rules.
- 2. Any shareholder of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint any person as his proxy to attend and vote on behalf of him. A shareholder may appoint any number of proxies to represent him and vote on his behalf at the above Meeting. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company. If more than one proxy is appointed, the number of shares in respect of which each such proxy so appointed must be specified in the relevant form of proxy. Every shareholder present in person or by proxy shall be entitled to one vote for each share held by him.
- 3. In order to be valid, the form of proxy together with the power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a certified copy of that power of attorney or authority, must be deposited at the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong (the "Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar"), Tricor Investor Services Limited, at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the Meeting (i.e. not later than 11:00 a.m. (Hong Kong time) on Wednesday, 18 June 2025) or the adjourned meeting (as the case may be). Completion and return of the form of proxy shall not preclude a shareholder of the Company from attending and voting in person at the Meeting and, in such event, the instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.
- 4. Closure of Register of Members
  - (i) For the purpose of determining the entitlement to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting

The register of members of the Company will be closed from Monday, 16 June 2025 to Friday, 20 June 2025, both dates inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to be eligible to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting, unregistered holders of shares of the Company shall ensure that all transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar, at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong for registration no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 13 June 2025.

In the event that the Annual General Meeting is adjourned to a date later than 20 June 2025 because of bad weather or other reasons, the book closure period and record date for determination of entitlement to attend and vote at the above Meeting will remain the same as stated above.

#### (ii) For the purpose of determining the entitlement to the proposed final dividend

Subject to the approval of the proposed final dividend by the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 3 July 2025 to Friday, 4 July 2025, both dates inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify for the proposed final dividend, unregistered holders of shares of the Company shall ensure that all transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar, at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong for registration no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 2 July 2025.

- 5. In relation to the proposed resolution no. 7 above, the Board concurs with the views of the audit committee of the Board and has recommended that Moore CPA Limited be re-appointed as independent auditors of the Company.
- 6. A circular containing further details concerning resolutions nos. 2 to 6 and resolutions nos. 8 to 10 set out in the above notice will be published on the websites of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (www.hkexnews.hk) and the Company (www.cliffordmodernliving.com).

#### 7. Bad Weather Arrangements

If a tropical cyclone warning signal number 8 or above is hoisted, or "extreme conditions" caused by super typhoons or a black rainstorm warning is/are in force in Hong Kong at any time between 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on the date of the Annual General Meeting, the Meeting will be automatically postponed to a later date. The Company will post an announcement on the websites of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and the Company to notify shareholders of the date, time and location of the rescheduled meeting.

The Annual General Meeting will be held as scheduled when an amber or a red rainstorm warning signal is in force in Hong Kong. Shareholders should in any event exercise due care and caution when deciding to attend the Meeting in adverse weather conditions.

8. References to time and dates in this notice are to Hong Kong time and dates.

As at the date of this notice, the Board comprises Ms. MAN Lai Hung, Ms. HO Suk Mee and Mr. LIU Xing as executive Directors; Ms. LIANG Yuhua as non-executive Director; and Ms. LAW Elizabeth, Mr. HO Cham and Mr. MAK Ping Leung (alias Mr. MAK Wah Cheung) as independent non-executive Directors.