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ZICO Holdings Announces Interim Special Dividend

Singapore, 23 April 2026 – SGX Catalist-listed ZICO Holdings Inc. (“**ZICO**” and together with its subsidiaries and associated companies, the “**Group**”) today announced that it would pay an interim special dividend of 0.1 Singapore cents per share, its first dividend payment since its Initial Public Offering in 2014.

The dividend, amounting to 0.1 Singapore cents per share, is being issued out of an apportioned combination of the Group’s current-year profits and surplus cash reserves from the realised gains from the strategic divestment of its corporate services business in FY2025 (the “**Disposal**”), alongside net inflows generated from investing activities by its capital market advisory business.

The Board of ZICO has determined that, following the Disposal, it is appropriate to return value to shareholders through the interim special dividend. Shareholders are advised that the interim special dividend is a one-time distribution and should not be taken as an indication of ZICO’s future dividend policy. Notwithstanding this, the Board of ZICO remains committed to return value to the shareholders over time in a manner which is commensurate with sustained financial performance of the Company.

Subsequent to FY2025, ZICO had on 24 March 2026 announced a corporate and business update outlining several strategic objectives, including the pursuit of growth opportunities in regulated market activities such as corporate finance in Singapore and Malaysia, asset management and asset-light consulting/sourcing and Shariah-related services for ASEAN markets.

“The successful completion of the Disposal is an important step in ZICO’s ongoing transformation journey, allowing us to recycle capital from non-core activities into areas where we see stronger long-term growth and returns”, said Mr Mohamed Nasser Bin Ismail, Independent Chairman of ZICO.

“With a stronger balance sheet, we are pleased to share the proceeds of this value-accretive transaction with our shareholders through an interim special dividend, while retaining sufficient financial flexibility to pursue our strategic priorities in regulated capital markets, wealth management and trust services. On



behalf of the Board, I would like to thank our shareholders for their continued support and confidence in ZICO as we execute our strategy to deliver sustainable value creation over time,” he said.

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Note: This news release is to be read in conjunction with the SGXNet announcement released on the same day.

About ZICO Holdings Inc.

ZICO, an integrated provider of multidisciplinary professional services focused on the ASEAN region, provides regulated wealth, advisory and transactional services. Through its multidisciplinary services, regional capabilities and local insights, ZICO enables its clients to capitalise on opportunities across Southeast Asia.

The Group provides wealth management services, trust advisory, corporate finance advisory services, consulting services, investor services, legal services, shariah advisory and immigration services. ZICO also engages in the licensing of the “ZICO” trademarks to entities within the Group.

ZICO has business operations in Lao PDR, Malaysia (including Labuan), Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand and the Philippines. For more information, please visit <http://www.zicoholdings.com>.

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