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## ASX Announcement

### **Appointment of Mr Tom Stianos as Non-Executive Chairman**

Following strong earnings guidance by the company last week, Empired's board of directors are pleased to advise the appointment of Mr Tom Stianos as Non-Executive Chairman effective from 1 July 2018 and the retention of Mr Richard Bevan as a senior non-executive director.

Mr Stianos has a long and successful background in leading ASX listed technology companies, most prominently known for his role as Managing Director of SMS Management and Technology Limited where he led the company through a substantial national and international expansion resulting in a peak market capitalisation of approximately \$800m.

The directors have elected Mr Stianos based on his strong contribution to the board since his appointment as a non-executive director in November 2016 and his relevant experience and success in running listed technology companies. His recent appointment to the board brings a fresh and independent approach combined with the benefits of having a Chairman based in the key growth market of the east coast as the company transitions from a period of consolidation to a strong growth outlook.

Mr Richard Bevan has been Non-Executive Chairman of the company since November 2016 where he has overseen the consolidation of the company following a period of rapid expansion delivering a materially improved balance sheet, substantial improvements to operating performance and positioning the company for future growth.

Commenting Mr Bevan said "I have thoroughly enjoyed working together with the board and the company's leadership to deliver a solid platform to pursue a number of exciting growth objectives. I have great respect for Tom's contribution and look forward to continuing to work with the board to deliver shareholder returns"

Mr Stianos said "I am delighted to have been elected by the company's directors as Chairman, I look forward to making a strong and valuable contribution to the company and genuinely believe the company has an exciting future with all the ingredients to continue to build enduring value for our shareholders."

"In closing Mr Baskerville said "I would like to thank Mr Bevan for his outstanding leadership, contribution and wise council during a period of consolidation by the company. I am excited to work closely with both Tom and Richard as the company embarks on a solid growth phase."

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We offer a broad range of services from managed services to digital transformation. Together they provide a breadth of service and expertise not seen in other consultancies of similar pedigree allowing Empired to deliver 'end-to-end' business solutions that assist our customers in driving their key business outcomes.

With a team of over 1,000 people located throughout Australia, New Zealand and North America, Empired has built a reputation for service excellence. This combined with our strategy that is underpinned by initiative, innovation and growth ensures that in a dynamic and rapidly growing technology market place Empired is strongly positioned to capture market share and continue to build on its success.

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