

## ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

### 2021 Annual General Meeting: Executive Chair Address

**13 December 2021**

Welcome ladies and gentlemen to the Annual General Meeting of Health and Plant Protein Group Limited. My name is Dennis Lin, Executive Chair of the Company.

#### Board and Management

Before I start, let me introduce your Board:

- **Christina Chen:** Non-executive director: Christina is a nominated representative of AMD, our largest shareholder, and has significant experience in branded fast moving consumer goods, particularly in the Asian region. She is a director of Chacha Food Co Ltd, a leading company in branded nuts and roasted foods that is listed with market capitalisation of c. USD 5 billion.
- **Peter O’Keeffe:** Non-executive director; Peter has had a long history with the business. He is an accountant with significant commercial experience in Australia.
- **Andrew Bond:** Non-executive director: Andrew is the immediate past CEO of the Company and brings significant knowledge and insight to the board.
- **Lisa Davis:** CFO and Company Secretary: Lisa joined the business in early 2019 and has been instrumental in working through the transformation of the business. She is responsible for Finance as well as IT systems.
- **Adam Cunningham:** COO: Adam has been in the business for over 20 years and brings with him a wealth of knowledge and experience in Macadamias. Adam is responsible for the running of USA operations.

As a business we have been fortunate to have a diverse set of skills across the Board and Key Leadership Team, who are building a track record of executing on advancing our strategic ambitions with the Company.

I am grateful to have the opportunity to chair the Board as we embark upon our next chapter as Health and Plant Protein Group Limited.

During the course of the last 12 months, we have continued to provide shareholders with updates of our key strategic priorities, particularly as it relates to the strategic review of the Kapua Orchard.

Since October, I have been based in the USA. Our expectation of reaching an outcome in relation to the Orchard sale remains on track for an outcome during the first quarter of 2022 calendar year.

In addition to being focused on the transaction, it has been a pleasure to spend some time with our teams at the Orchard, as well as team members based in California. Following the continued growth of our direct to consumer e-commerce business, we have recently moved premises in California to a fulfilment onsite with small warehousing capabilities. This preceded our record Black Friday sales, which contributed to a new record month of online sales for the Company, and an 118% growth to prior corresponding period.

As we continue to progress our various operational priorities, we will keep you informed.

This announcement has been authorised for release to ASX by the Board.

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## **About HPP**

HPP, through its Royal Hawaiian Orchards® (RHO) and MacFarms® brands, is the largest vertically integrated orchard to retail macadamia nut processor and marketer in the USA. Macadamia nut contains rich nutrients and beneficial plant compounds, and HPP makes its products from wholesome and unmodified ingredients. The macadamia business forms the basis of HPP's strategic ambitions in becoming a leading independent participant in health and plant-based protein food categories.