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## **Fortune Real Estate Investment Trust**

(a collective investment scheme authorized under section 104 of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong))

(Stock Code: 778)

## Managed by ARA Asset Management (Fortune) Limited

## PAYMENT OF MANAGER'S BASE FEE TO ARA ASSET MANAGEMENT (FORTUNE) LIMITED BY WAY OF UNITS IN FORTUNE REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST

The Board announces that on 11 April 2023, the Manager received an aggregate of 4,507,350 Base Fee Units in Hong Kong, as payment to the Manager of the Base Fee in the amount of HK\$29,230,167, being full payment in arrears of the Base Fee component of its management fees for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 March 2023 (both dates inclusive). The Base Fee Units were issued at a price of HK\$6.485 (being the Hong Kong Market Price) per Unit.

The payment of the Base Fee by way of the Base Fee Units is in accordance with the terms of the Trust Deed and does not require the specific prior approval of the Unitholders pursuant to 12.6 of the REIT Code.

The Manager held 22,640,902 Units immediately before the issue of the Base Fee Units. Immediately after the issue of the Base Fee Units, the Manager holds 27,148,252 Units, representing approximately 1.36% of the 1,996,969,182 Units in issue (after the issue of the Base Fee Units).

Pursuant to the Trust Deed, the Manager is entitled to, among other management fees, the Base Fee. The Base Fee is payable quarterly in arrears, and will be in the form of Units. The Manager shall receive such number of Units as may be purchased for the relevant amount of the Base Fee at the prevailing market price on the HK Stock Exchange, at the time of the issue of such Units.

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The number of Units issued to the Manager as payment of all or part of the Manager's Fees for each financial year of Fortune REIT shall be counted as part of the 20% of outstanding Units that the Manager may issue in each financial year without Unitholders' approval pursuant to 12.2 of the REIT Code. Further, pursuant to 12.6 of the REIT Code, in respect of each financial year, the maximum number of Units that may be issued to the Manager as payment of all or part of the Manager's Fees for that financial year without Unitholders' approval shall, in the aggregate, be limited to such number of Units as represents 3% of the total number of Units outstanding as at the last day of the immediately preceding financial year plus the number of Units (if any) issued in the relevant financial year for the purpose of financing any acquisition of real estate by Fortune REIT. Immediately after the issue of the Base Fee Units, the number of Units issued to the Manager as payment of all or part of the Manager's Fees for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 March 2023 represents approximately 0.23% of the total number of Units outstanding as at 31 December 2022.

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This announcement is made pursuant to 10.4(k) of the REIT Code.

## **DEFINITIONS**

"Base Fee" The Manager's base fee which is 0.3% per annum of the Property Values and payable quarterly in arrears

"Base Fee Units" The 4,507,350 Units which are the subject of this announcement

"Board" The board of directors of the Manager

"Fortune REIT" Fortune Real Estate Investment Trust

"HK Stock Exchange" The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

"Hong Kong Market Price" The average closing price of the Units in the 10 Trading Days

immediately prior to the earlier of the date of announcement of the proposed issue of Units and the date on which the issue price is fixed

"Manager" ARA Asset Management (Fortune) Limited (as manager of Fortune

REIT)

"Manager's Fee" The Base Fee and, where applicable, the acquisition fee or

divestment fee payable to the Manager

"Property Values" The values of all the properties owned by Fortune REIT, whether

directly held by the Trustee or indirectly held by the Trustee through a

property holding company, including a property company

"REIT Code" The Code on Real Estate Investment Trusts published by the SFC, as

amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time

"SFC" The Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong

"Trustee" HSBC Institutional Trust Services (Asia) Limited (as trustee of Fortune

REIT)

"Trust Deed" The deed of trust constituting Fortune REIT dated 4 July 2003, as

amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time

"Unitholders" Holders of the Units

"Units" The units of Fortune REIT

By order of the board of directors of
ARA Asset Management (Fortune) Limited
(in its capacity as manager of Fortune Real Estate Investment Trust)
CHIU Yu, Justina
Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 11 April 2023

The Directors of the Manager as at the date of this announcement are Mr. Chui Sing Loi (alias Tsui Sing Loi) as Chairman and Independent Non-executive Director; Dr. Chiu Kwok Hung, Justin, Mr. Lim Hwee Chiang, Ms. Yeung, Eirene and Mr. Ma Lai Chee, Gerald as Non-executive Directors; Ms. Chiu Yu, Justina as Executive Director; Ms. Cheng Ai Phing, Ms. Yeo Annie (alias Yeo May Ann) and Ms. Koh Poh Wah as Independent Non-executive Directors.