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## KINGMAKER FOOTWEAR HOLDINGS LIMITED 信星鞋業集團有限公司<sup>\*</sup>

(incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability) (Stock Code: 01170)

## PASS AWAY OF CHAIRMAN, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND RESUMPTION OF TRADING

## Pass Away of Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director

The board (the "**Board**") of directors (the "**Directors**") of Kingmaker Footwear Holdings Limited (the "**Company**", together with its subsidiaries, the "**Group**") announces with deepest grief that Mr. Chen Ming Hsiung, Mickey ("**Mr. Chen**"), the Chairman, the Chief Executive Officer, an executive Director, the chairman of the nomination committee, a member of the remuneration committee and the authorised representative of the Company, passed away on 14 April 2016.

The Board is deeply saddened by the sudden loss. Mr. Chen had provided tremendous leadership, guidance and support to the Group. On behalf of all staff of the Group, the Board extends its deepest condolences to Mr. Chen's family.

The Board has appointed Mr. Phillip Brian Kimmel, an executive Director, as Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Company and Mr. Chan Ho Man, Daniel, a non-executive Director, as Acting Chairman and an authorised representative of the Company. The Board will proceed to make succession arrangements in due course. The Company is a long standing and well-established company. In view of the above, the Board is of the view that the pass away of Mr. Chen should not have immediate adverse effect on the Group in the short term and the long term impact would have to be assessed.

## **Resumption of Trading**

At the request of the Company, trading in the shares of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Stock Exchange**") was halted with effect from 1:00 p.m. on 14 April 2016 pending the release of this announcement. The Company has applied to the Stock Exchange for the resumption of trading in the shares with effect from 9:00 a.m. on 15 April 2016.

By order of the Board Kingmaker Footwear Holdings Limited WONG Hei Chiu

Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 14 April 2016

As at the date of this announcement, the three executive Directors of the Company are Mdm. Huang Hsiu Duan, Helen, Mr. Phillip Brian Kimmel and Mr. Wong Hei Chiu; the two non-executive Directors are Mr. Chow Wing Kin, Anthony and Mr. Chan Ho Man, Daniel; and the three independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Tam King Ching, Kenny, Mr. Yung Tse Kwong, Steven and Ms. Chan Mei Bo, Mabel.

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