NOTICE OF OBJECTION REGARDING REGISTRATION FOR GEOGRAPHICAL CONSTITUENCIES

ELECTORAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION (REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS) (LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL GEOGRAPHICAL CONSTITUENCIES) (DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSTITUENCIES) REGULATION (Cap. 541A) Section 14

To: Electoral Registration Officer				
		that I object to the registration of the following person as an (please read Notes 1-4) because (please tick either one):		
	\Box the following person is not eligible to be registered as an elector; or			
	☐ the following person i	s not eligible to be registered as an elector in the		
	e e	eographical constituency and the		
	District Council const	ituency of the final register.		
PAI	RTICULARS OF THE PER	SON BEING OBJECTED TO:		
	Name	Principal Residential Address (Note 5)		
	(in BLOCK LETTERS)			
beir		lure to provide sufficient and accurate particulars of the person the inability of the Electoral Registration Officer to identify otice of objection.		
The	grounds in support of my o	bjection are (please read Note 3, Note 4 and Note 10):		

I *attach/cannot provide evidence or documentary proof to support this objection.

Signature of Objector	:
Name of Objector	:
Hong Kong Identity Card Number	:
Residential Address	:
Telephone Number	:
Fax Number (if any)	:
	:
Date	:

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 $[\]square$ *Please tick where appropriate.*

 $^{* \}textit{Please delete whichever is not applicable}.$

To: Revising Officer

Notice of Objection Regarding Registration for Geographical Constituencies

In co	onnection with my objection	lodged on , (<i>Date</i>)	
(i)	I *do / do not wish to appear at the hearing.		
(ii)	I *will / will not be represented by *a legal practitioner / any other person (authorized in writing by me) at the hearing.		
		(Signature of Objector)	
	Name of Objector:		
	Telephone No.:		
	Fax No. (if any):		
	Email Address (if any):		
	Date:		

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^{*} Please delete whichever is not applicable.

EXPLANATORY NOTES FOR COMPLETING A NOTICE OF OBJECTION

- 1. This Notice of Objection should be used for lodging an objection if you consider that any registered person whose particulars are recorded in the geographical constituencies provisional register is not eligible to be registered:
 - (a) as an elector; or
 - (b) in the section (i.e. the Legislative Council geographical constituency and District Council constituency) in which that person's name and principal residential address are recorded.
- 2. A separate Notice of Objection in the specified form must be used for each person being objected to.
- 3. You should state the grounds in support of your objection in this Notice. While not attempting to be exhaustive, the following are some examples:
 - (a) the person being objected to is not a permanent resident of Hong Kong, does not ordinarily reside in Hong Kong or does not satisfy the age requirement etc.;
 - (b) the person being objected to is disqualified from registration for:
 - (i) having been found under the Mental Health Ordinance (Cap. 136) to be incapable, by reason of mental incapacity, of managing and administering his/her property and affairs; or
 - (ii) being a member of the armed forces of the Central People's Government or any other country or territory;
 - (c) the residential address of the person being objected to as recorded in the register is wrong, or his residential address only entitles him to be registered in another section or subsection in the register.

You must provide sufficient information about the objection so as to inform the Revising Officer, the Electoral Registration Officer and the person being objected to of the grounds of the objection.

4. You must provide a copy of this Notice and any written representations to the person being objected to¹. The information provided by you may also be provided to organizations/persons concerned for the purposes of voter registration, election and all

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¹ According to section 2B of the Registration of Electors (Appeals) Regulation (Cap. 542B), an appellant must provide sufficient information about the objection concerned to inform the person in respect of whom the objection is made of the grounds of the objection and the information may be provided in the notice of objection.

related purposes where necessary.

- 5. "Principal residential address", in relation to a person, means the address of the only or principal residence (within the meaning of section 28(1B) or (3) of the Legislative Council Ordinance (Cap. 542)) of that person.
- 6. You must deliver this Notice <u>in person</u>² to the office of the Electoral Registration Officer at the following address **on or before 25 August 2022**³:

Address

Registration and Electoral Office, 10th Floor, Harbour Centre, 25 Harbour Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong.

or

Registration and Electoral Office, 13/F Kowloonbay International Trade & Exhibition Centre, 1 Trademart Drive, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon.

- 7. The Electoral Registration Officer may require you to identify yourself by presenting your Hong Kong identity card or passport. You should therefore bring your Hong Kong identity card or passport with you when you deliver this Notice.
- 8. The Electoral Registration Officer will forward your objection to the Revising Officer for his determination. The Revising Officer will be the Registrar of the High Court, or a magistrate or a legal officer appointed by the Chief Justice.
- 9. If the objection to the registration of an elector for a geographical constituency is determined to be successful, and if that elector is also registered for a functional constituency and/or an Election Committee subsector, his/her registration for the geographical constituency as well as for the functional constituency and/or subsector will be removed from the final register.

² If you are in custody within the meaning of section 2(1) of the Electoral Affairs Commission (Electoral Procedure) (Legislative Council) Regulation (Cap. 541D), you may deliver this Notice by post, through your penal institution or the relevant law enforcement agency, to the office of the Electoral Registration Officer. Being "in custody" means you are (a) serving a sentence of imprisonment, (b) detained by the Correctional Services Department on remand, or (c) otherwise detained by any law enforcement agency under any lawful authority. Law enforcement agency means (a) the Customs and Excise Department, (b) the Hong Kong Police Force, (c) the Immigration Department, (d) the Independent Commission Against Corruption, or (e) any other department of the Government of which any officer is empowered by any Ordinance to exercise a power of

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³ The statutory deadline for lodging an objection regarding registration for geographical constituencies is 25 August 2022 at 6 pm.

- 10. The Revising Officer will, by notice, inform you and the person being objected to of the date (which will be between 29 August 2022 and 11 September 2022 in respect of Notices received by the Electoral Registration Officer on or before 25 August 2022), time and place for holding a hearing as regards the objection to which the relevant Notice relates. Both you and the person being objected to may appear at the hearing either in person or be represented by a legal practitioner or any other person (authorized in writing by you or the person being objected to). Whether or not you appear or are represented at the hearing, you may make written representations to the Revising Officer, which should reach him not later than 1 day before the date of the hearing. This arrangement also applies to the person being objected to.
- 11. If you do not appear and are not represented at the hearing, and do not make written representations to the Revising Officer not later than 1 day before the date of the hearing, and the Electoral Registration Officer does not make representations to the Revising Officer at the hearing, the decision of the Electoral Registration Officer to which your Notice relates shall stand. The Revising Officer may dismiss your objection directly if you or your authorized person does not attend the hearing of the relevant objection.
- 12. To facilitate the parties concerned to attend hearings and enable the relevant parties and members of the public to obtain information about the hearings as soon as possible, the Electoral Registration Officer will upload the relevant information in respect of your objection on this Office website (www.reo.gov.hk), including your name (i.e. the objector), the name of the person being objected to⁴, the case number, date and time of hearing. The relevant information will be removed from this Office website after 11 September 2022.
- 13. The Electoral Registration Officer will request the Revising Officer to determine the claim on the basis of written submissions only when the Notice of Objection does not state any ground on which the objection is made; the Notice of Objection does not state a ground on which the objection is made that concerns the eligibility of a registered person; the subject matter of the objection involves only a clerical error. The Revising Officer must direct that the relevant objection be determined without a hearing on the basis of written submissions only. You or the person being objected to could request a review of the ruling if you or the person being objected to are not satisfied with the Revising Officer's ruling.
- 14. These notes are for general guidance only. You should also refer to the Legislative Council Ordinance (Cap. 542), the Electoral Affairs Commission Ordinance (Cap. 541) and the relevant subsidiary legislation. The relevant legislation can be found on the Hong Kong e-Legislation website (www.elegislation.gov.hk) and is on sale at the Publications Sales Unit of the Information Services Department.

⁴ The name of the person being objected to uploaded to the Registration and Electoral Office website will follow the presentation prescribed in section 13(4B) of Cap. 541A and section 29(4A) of Cap. 541B, Electoral Affairs Commission (Registration of Electors) (Legislative Council Geographical Constituencies) (District Council Constituencies) Regulation, [i.e. the first Chinese character of the name (if the person's name is recorded in Chinese) or the first word of the name (if the person's name is recorded in English)]

15. For enquiries, please call our Hotline at 2891 1001.

16. Offences and Penalties

Pursuant to section 22(1) of the Electoral Affairs Commission (Registration of Electors)(Legislative Council Geographical Constituencies)(District Council Constituencies) Regulation (Cap. 541A), any person who in any Notice of Objection makes any statement which the person knows to be false in a material particular or recklessly makes any statement which is incorrect in a material particular or knowingly omits any material particular from such a notice commits an offence and is liable on conviction on indictment to a fine at level 3 and to imprisonment for 2 years.

Personal Information Collection Statement

Purpose of Collection

The personal data and other related information provided by you by means of this Notice will be used by the Registration and Electoral Office for voter registration and election-related purposes. The provision of personal data and other related information by means of this Notice is entirely voluntary. However, if you do not provide adequate and accurate data, this Office may not be able to process your Notice.

Transfer of Information

The information provided by you will be provided to the Revising Officer, and where necessary may also be provided to other authorized departments/organizations/persons for the purposes of voter registration, election and all purposes related thereto in accordance with the relevant Ordinances and/or subsidiary legislation.

Access to Personal Data and Enquiry

You have the right to request access to and to request the correction of the personal data and other related information you supplied in accordance with the provisions of the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap. 486). Such personal data requests and enquiries should be made in writing to the Electoral Registration Officer (Address: 10th Floor, Harbour Centre, 25 Harbour Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong).

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