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Zhihu Inc.

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(A company controlled through weighted voting rights and incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(NYSE: ZH; HKEX: 2390)

RECORD DATE FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

The board of directors (the "Board") of Zhihu Inc. (the "Company") announces that the record date for the purpose of determining the eligibility of the holders of the Class A ordinary shares and the Class B ordinary shares of the Company, par value US\$0.000125 each (the "Ordinary Shares"), to vote and attend the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company (the "AGM"), will be as of the close of business on Friday, May 24, 2024, Hong Kong time (the "Ordinary Share Record Date").

In order to be eligible to vote and attend the AGM, with respect to Ordinary Shares registered on the Company's branch share register in Hong Kong, all valid documents for the transfers of shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrar and transfer office, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, May 24, 2024, Hong Kong time; and with respect to Ordinary Shares registered on the Company's principal share register in the Cayman Islands, all valid documents for the transfers of shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's principal share registrar and transfer office, Maples Fund Services (Cayman) Limited, PO Box 1093, Boundary Hall, Cricket Square, Grand Cayman, KY1-1102, Cayman Islands, no later than 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 23, 2024, Cayman Islands time (due to the time difference between the Cayman Islands and Hong Kong). All persons who are registered holders of the Ordinary Shares on the Ordinary Share Record Date will be entitled to vote and attend the AGM.

Holders of American depositary shares (the "ADSs") issued by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as the depositary of the ADSs (the "Depositary"), each representing three Class A ordinary shares of the Company (upon the proposed ADS ratio change as announced on April 26, 2024 taking effect on or about May 10, 2024, U.S. Easten Time), may attend, but may not vote at, the AGM. The ADS holders as of the close of business on Friday, May 24, 2024, New York time (the "ADS Record Date", together with the Ordinary Share Record Date, the "Record Date"), will be able to instruct the Depositary, being the holder of record of the Class A ordinary shares represented by the ADSs, as to how to vote the Class A ordinary shares represented by such ADSs. The Depositary will endeavor, to the extent practicable and legally permissible, to vote or cause to be voted at the AGM the Class A ordinary shares represented by the ADSs in accordance with the instructions that it has properly received from the ADS holders. Please be aware that, because of the time difference between Hong Kong and New York, any ADS holders that cancel their ADSs in exchange for Class A ordinary shares on Friday, May 24, 2024, New York time will no longer be ADS holders with respect to such canceled ADSs as of the ADS Record Date and will not be able to instruct the Depositary as to how to vote the Class A ordinary shares represented by such canceled ADSs as described above; such ADS holders will also not be holders of the Class A ordinary shares represented by such canceled ADSs as of the Ordinary Share Record Date for the purpose of determining the eligibility to attend and vote at the AGM.

Details including the date and location of the AGM will be set out in a notice of AGM to be issued and provided to holders of Ordinary Shares and ADSs as of the respective Record Date together with the proxy materials in due course.

By order of the Board
Zhihu Inc.
Yuan Zhou
Chairman

Hong Kong, May 8, 2024

As of the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises Mr. Yuan Zhou and Mr. Dahai Li as executive Directors, Mr. Zhaohui Li and Mr. Bing Yu as non-executive Directors, and Mr. Hanhui Sam Sun, Ms. Hope Ni, and Mr. Derek Chen as independent non-executive Directors.