

## PARAGON REIT ANNOUNCES THE COMPLETION OF THE DIVESTMENT OF THE RAIL MALL AND A SPECIAL DISTRIBUTION OF 1.85 CENTS PER UNIT

- YTD FY2024 DPU substantially increased to 4.17 cents
- Divested at S\$78.5 million¹; valuation was S\$62.0 million as at 31 December 2023

SINGAPORE, 15 August 2024 – PARAGON REIT Management Pte. Ltd. ("PARAGON RM" or the "Manager"), the Manager of PARAGON REIT, refers to the press release dated 20 June 2024 in relation to the entry into a sale and purchase agreement for the divestment of The Rail Mall. Further to the press release, the Manager is pleased to announce that the divestment of The Rail Mall (the "Divestment") has completed today.

The net proceeds from the Divestment will be used to pare down outstanding debt obligations associated with The Rail Mall, with the remainder of the net proceeds to be distributed entirely to Unitholders via a special distribution of 1.85 cents per Unit to Unitholders ("Special Distribution"). On top of the Distribution per Unit ("DPU") of 2.32 cents for 1H FY2024, the Special Distribution brings the total DPU for year-to-date FY2024 to 4.17 cents. The Special Distribution is expected to be paid on 7 October 2024.

Dr Leong Horn Kee, Chairman of PARAGON REIT, said "The completion of the divestment is in line with PARAGON REIT's strategy to proactively manage PARAGON REIT's portfolio to unlock value for our Unitholders. The Board recommends a special distribution of 1.85 cents per Unit to reward Unitholders for their continued support."

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The consideration for the Divestment was S\$78.5 million, which was arrived at on a willing buyer willing seller basis taking into account the projected net property income of the property, the retail market outlook and the property yield. The valuation of The Rail Mall as at 31 December 2023 was S\$62.0 million.

## **Distribution Details**

Distribution Type	Special distribution
Distribution Rate	Capital distribution of 1.85 cents
Record Date	28 August 2024 at 5.00 p.m.
Payment Date	7 October 2024

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## **ABOUT PARAGON REIT**

PARAGON REIT is a Singapore-based real estate investment trust established principally to invest in a portfolio of income-producing real estate primarily for retail purposes in Asia-Pacific, as well as real estate-related assets.

PARAGON REIT has a portfolio of four assets in Singapore and Australia.

Its portfolio of properties in Singapore comprises a 99-year leasehold interest in Paragon that commenced on 24 July 2013 and a 99-year leasehold interest in The Clementi Mall that commenced on 31 August 2010. These Singapore properties have an aggregate net lettable area of approximately 914,000 sq. ft.

In Australia, PARAGON REIT owns a 50% freehold interest in Westfield Marion Shopping Centre, the largest regional shopping centre in Adelaide, South Australia. PARAGON REIT also owns an 85% interest in Figtree Grove Shopping Centre, a freehold sub-

regional shopping centre in Wollongong, New South Wales, Australia. Both Australian properties have an aggregate gross lettable area of approximately 1.7 million sq. ft.

Visit PARAGON REIT's website at www.paragonreit.com.sg for more details.

ABOUT THE REIT MANAGER: PARAGON REIT MANAGEMENT PTE. LTD.

PARAGON REIT is managed by PARAGON REIT Management Pte. Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cuscaden Peak Investments Private Limited. The Manager's key objective for PARAGON REIT is to provide Unitholders with regular and stable distributions, and sustainable long-term growth in DPU and NAV per Unit, while maintaining an appropriate capital structure. The Manager endeavours to be a good corporate citizen, committed to its social and environmental responsibilities, contributing to a sustainable world.

<u>ABOUT THE SPONSOR: CUSCADEN PEAK INVESTMENTS PRIVATE LIMITED</u>

Cuscaden Peak Investments Private Limited (formerly known as Singapore Press Holdings Limited before it was privatised on 13 May 2022) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Cuscaden Peak Pte. Ltd. ("Cuscaden Peak"), a consortium made up of three shareholders - Hotel Properties Limited, Mapletree Investments Pte. Ltd., and CLA Real Estate Holdings Pte. Ltd. It has businesses in Retail & Commercial, Aged Care and

Events Management Businesses.

On the retail and commercial front, Cuscaden Peak owns an ~61% stake in PARAGON REIT, whose portfolio comprises two properties in Singapore, namely Paragon and The Clementi Mall. In Australia, PARAGON REIT holds an 85% stake in Figtree Grove Shopping Centre and a 50% stake in Westfield Marion Shopping Centre. Cuscaden Peak Investments also has a joint venture stake in an integrated development consisting of The Woodleigh Residences and The Woodleigh Mall.

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