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To Our Shareholders

Miki Watanabe Representative Director, Chairman, President, and CEO **Watami Co., Ltd.** 1-1-3, Haneda, Ota-ku, Tokyo, Japan

# Notice of the 39th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders

Notice is hereby given that the 39th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of Watami Co., Ltd. (the "Company") will be held on Sunday, June 29 as follows, and you are invited to attend.

If you do not attend the meeting in person, you may exercise your voting rights via the Internet or in writing. Please review the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders and exercise your voting rights in accordance with the "Information on Exercise of Voting Rights" (in Japanese only) by 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 27, 2025.

When convening this annual general meeting of shareholders, the Company has taken measures for providing information (items for which measures for providing information in electronic format will be taken) that constitutes the content of reference documents for the general meeting of shareholders, etc. in electronic format, and has posted this information on the following websites.

The Company's website: https://www.watami.co.jp/ (in Japanese) Click "Investor Relations," and then "General Meeting of Shareholders," on the Company's website.

Website for posted informational materials for the general meeting of shareholders: https://d.sokai.jp/7522/teiji/ (in Japanese)

TSE website (Listed Company Search): https://www2.jpx.co.jp/tseHpFront/JJK010010Action.do?Show=Show (in Japanese)

### 1. Date and time Sunday, June 29, 2025; 10:00 a.m. (registration is scheduled to begin at 9:15 a.m.)

2. Venue Multipurpose Hall, 1F PACIFICO Yokohama North

1-1-2, Minatomirai, Nishi-ku, Yokohama, Kanagawa Prefecture, Japan The venue has been changed from last year. Please refer to the "Map for the Venue of the 39th General Meeting of Shareholders" attached to the appendix of the Japanese version of this document and take care not to visit the previous address.

## 3. Purpose of the Meeting

#### Matters to be reported

- 1. The Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements, and the audit results of the financial auditor and the Audit and Supervisory Committee on the Consolidated Financial Statements for the 39th Fiscal Year (from April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025)
- 2. Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the 39th Fiscal Year (from April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025)

## Matters to be resolved

Proposal 1	Appropriation of Surplus
Proposal 2	Election of Three Directors (Excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory
	Committee Members)
Proposal 3	Election of One Director who is Audit and Supervisory Committee Members

- For those attending the meeting on the day, please submit the voting form at the reception desk.
- In the voting form used for exercising voting rights in writing (by mail), no indication of approval or disapproval for a given proposal will be treated as indication of approval for the proposal in question.
- For this general meeting of shareholders, we have delivered paper-based documents stating the items subject to measures for electronic provision to all shareholders, regardless of whether or not they have requested them. Among the items subject to measures for electronic provision, in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and Article 16 of the Articles of Incorporation of the Company, the following items are not provided in the paper-based documents delivered to shareholders.
  - 1. Status of shares in the Business Report
  - 2. Status of share acquisition rights, etc. in the Business Report
  - 3. Basic Policy for Establishing Systems to Ensure Proper Business Operations and the Status of Operation of Such Systems in the Business Report
  - 4. Basic Policy Regarding the Company's Control in the Business Report
  - 5. Matters Related to Specified Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries in the Business Report
  - 6. Matters Related to Transactions with the Parent Company, etc. in the Business Report
  - 7. Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity in the Consolidated Financial Statements
  - 8. Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in the Consolidated Financial Statements
  - 9. Non-consolidated Balance Sheet
  - 10. Non-consolidated Statement of Income
  - 11. Non-consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity in the Non-consolidated Financial Statements
  - 12. Notes to Non-consolidated Financial Statements in the Non-consolidated Financial Statements
  - 13. Independent Auditor's Report on the Non-consolidated Financial Statements

Accordingly, the Audit and Supervisory Committee and the Accounting Auditor have audited the documents subject to audit, including the aforementioned matters.

If revisions to the items subject to measures for electronic provision arise, the revisions will be posted on the Company's website ,Website for posted informational materials for the general meeting of shareholders and the TSE website.

# **Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders**

## Proposal 1 Appropriation of Surplus

Regarding the distribution of surplus for the current fiscal year, the Company's basic policy is to pay stable dividends. For the year-end dividend, the Company proposes the following in consideration of the current fiscal year's performance and future business development, among other factors.

The Company proposes to pay a year-end dividend for the Class A preferred shares for the fiscal year under review based on the prescribed amount as stipulated in the Articles of Incorporation and the Class A Preferred Shares Issuance Guideline.

- Type of dividend property To be paid in cash.
- (2) Allotment of dividend property and their aggregate amount Per share of the Company's common stock: 10.00 yen Total amount of common stock dividends: 400,660,370 yen Per Class A preferred share of the Company: 4,011,397.26 yen Total amount of Class A preferred share dividends: 481,367,671 yen Total dividends: 882,028,041 yen
- (3) Effective date of dividends of surplus June 30, 2025

# Proposal 2 Election of Three Directors (Excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members)

The terms of office of all three Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members; the same shall apply hereinafter in this proposal) will expire at the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders. Therefore, the Company proposes the election of three Directors.

As a result of the deliberation by the Audit and Supervisory Committee, it has been determined that the candidates for this proposal are suitable for the position.

The candidates for Directors are as follows.

Candidate no.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sum and signif	Number of the Company's shares owned		
		Apr. 1984	Established Watami Shoji Co., Ltd., Representative Director		
		May 1986	Established Watami Corporation (currently Watami Co., Ltd.) Representative Director and President		
	Miki Watanabe (October 5, 1959)	Mar. 2001	Representative Director and President Representative, School Aid Japan (specified non-profit organization) (currently School Aid Japan (public interest foundation)) (current position)		
		Mar. 2003	Chairman of the Board, Ikubunkan Educational Corporation (currently Ikubunkan Institute of Education) (current position)		
		June 2009	Representative Director, Chairman, and CEO of the Company		
1		Nov. 2010	Chairman of the Board, Minna no Yume wo Kanaeru Kai (specified non-profit corporation) (currently Minna no Yume wo Kanaeru Kai (public interest incorporated foundation))		
		E 1 2011	(current position)	- share	
		Feb. 2011 May 2011	Director and Chief Advisor of the Company Director and Chairman (part-time) of the Company		
		June 2011	Counselor of Reconstruction Measures, City of Rikuzentakata, Iwate Prefecture (current position)		
		June 2013	President, Save Earth Foundation (public interest incorporated foundation) (current position)		
		July 2013	Member of the House of Councilors		
		Sept. 2019	Representative Director and Chairman of the Company and Group CEO		
		Mar. 2021	Member of the Reconstruction Promotion Committee, Reconstruction Agency		
		Oct. 2021	Representative Director, Chairman, and President of the Company		
		Apr. 2024	Representative Director, Chairman, President, and CEO of the Company (current position)		

Candidate no.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned
	management for many years, and home-delivered meals, agriculture many successes. In addition to his involvement in a important positions, including dir Rebuilding Council, counselor of Agency's Reconstruction Promot Director, based on its judgment th various issues in corporate manag	he has built the Watami Group into what it is today. He has led the G has been involved in numerous businesses, including food service, e, and the environment, establishing a unique "sixth industry model national politics as a member of the House of Councilors, he has he ector of the Japan Business Federation, member of the government "City of Rikuzentakata in Iwate Prefecture, and member of the Rec- tion Committee. The Company has nominated him as a candidate for hat he, with a wealth of knowledge, experience, and achievements, gement, and is indispensable for enhancing the management decision supervisory function of business execution, and improving the medi-	nursing care, l" and achieving eld a number of 's Education onstruction or the position of is familiar with on-making function

Candidate no.	Name (Date of birth)		Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company				
		Sept. 1991	Joined the Company	owned			
		Aug. 1997	General Manager of East Japan Division of the Company				
		Aug. 2003	Executive Officer and General Manager of Gohan Business Division of the Company				
		Sept. 2005	Director of R No Kaigo Inc.				
		Apr. 2006	Representative Director and President of Watami no Kaigo Co., Ltd.				
		June 2009	Director of the Company and Representative Director and President of Watami no Kaigo Co., Ltd.				
		Nov. 2012	Managing Director of the Company and Representative Director and President of Watami no Kaigo Co., Ltd.				
		Oct. 2014	Managing Director of the Company and Representative Director and President of				
		Mar. 2015	Watami Food Service Co., Ltd. Representative Director and President of the				
	Kuniaki Shimizu (June 1, 1970)	Mar. 2013	Company and Representative Director and President of Watami Food Systems Co., Ltd.	29,635 share			
	(sume 1, 1970)	Apr. 2015	Director of Watami International Company Limited (current position)				
		June 2015	Director of Watami Energy Co, Ltd.				
		Dec. 2015	Outside Director of SOMPO Care Next Inc.				
2		Dec. 2015	Representative Director, President and COO of the Company				
		Oct. 2021	Representative Director, Vice President and General Manager of HR Development Division of the Company				
		Apr. 2022	Representative Director and Vice President of the Company				
		Sept. 2022	Representative Director of Watami Energy Co., Ltd.				
		Apr. 2023	Director and Vice President of the Company				
		Dec. 2023	Representative Director of Watami Farm Co., Ltd.				
[Reasons for selection		Apr. 2024	Director, Vice President, and CHO of the Company (current position)				
	Reasons for selection as a car						
	He has served as Representative Director and President of some subsidiaries in the restaurant business in the nursing care business, and Representative Director and Vice President of the Company. Throug						
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	a wealth of experience and acl						
v	the Watami Group's businesses. He currently supervises the formulation and execution of the personnel strategy in line with the Watami Group's corporate philosophy and management targets, as Director, Vice President, and CHO, and contributes significantly to the formulation of the Watami Group human rights policy, education and training of human						
	resources, improvement of the hiring process, improvement of the work environment, enhancement of employees'						

resources, improvement of the hiring process, improvement of the work environment, enhancement of employees' motivation, etc. The Company has nominated him as a candidate for the position of Director based on its judgment that he can contribute to the enhancement of the Watami Group's corporate value over the medium- to long term in accordance with the Watami Group's corporate philosophy.

Candidate no.	NameCareer summary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company			Number of the Company's shares owned	
3	Shoya Watanabe (December 17, 1987)	Apr. 2011   Aug. 2012   Oct. 2016   May 2018   June 2018   Jan. 2020   Feb. 2020   Feb. 2020   Feb. 2020   Mar. 2020   June 2018   Jan. 2020   Feb. 2020   Apr. 2020   Apr. 2021   Apr. 2022   Feb. 2024	Joined Mirabaud (Asia) limited Joined the Company Joined Suntory Spirits Ltd. Received Master of Business Administration (MBA) from McGill University Beam Suntory, Inc. (Chicago) Executive Officer and General Manager of Overseas Business Division of the Company Representative Director of Watami International Company Limited (current position) Director of Watami (China) Co., Ltd. (current position) Representative Director of Watami China Food & Beverage Co., Ltd. (current position) Director of Watami Taiwan Co., Ltd. (current position) Director, Senior Executive Officer and General Manager of Overseas Food Service Business Division of the Company Director, CFO, Senior Executive Officer, and General Manager of Overseas Business Division of the Company Director, CFO of the Company Director, CFO of the Company Director of LEADER FOOD PTE.LTD. (current position) Representative Director of Watami US corp (current position)	15,000 shares	
	July. 2024 Director,Managing Executive Officer of the company (current position)   Reasons for selection as a candidate] e joined the Company in 2012 after working at a foreign financial institution, focusing on analysis of hedge funds and her financial products. He has worked across the board in accounting, sales, store development, and corporate anning. He worked as a Scotch whisky brand manager at Suntory Spirits Ltd. in 2016, and as a member of the Jim eam brand team at Beam Suntory, Inc. Chicago as the only Japanese member in 2018. Through such experience, he eveloped a sense of international corporate management. He received an MBA from McGill University around the me time. Since January 2020, as General Manager of the Overseas Business Division, he had used his knowledge and sperience to make a significant contribution to the establishment and development of the Company's overseas strategy. e was elected as a Director in June 2020, and since April 2021, he has served as Director,CFO, overseeing corporate anning, accounting and finance, and IT strategy. To strengthen our expanding overseas operations, he is currently lifilling his duties as a Director overseeing the entire overseas business. He has been nominated as a candidate for irector, based on the Company's judgment that he has sufficient qualifications and abilities in corporate management, well as that he is a person necessary for the new corporate strategy of the Watami Group.				

(Notes) 1. There is no special interest between any of the candidates and the Company.

2. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance policy with an insurance company, as stipulated in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act, which is scheduled to be renewed in October 2025. Each of the current Directors who are candidates for Director is already insured under the said policy, and will continue to be insured under the said policy in the event that he/she is reappointed as Director of the Company. The insurance policy is designed to cover damages incurred by the insured in the event that the insured is sued for damages during the insurance period due to acts (including omissions) committed by the insured in the course of his/her duties as an officer of the Company, and the insured will be liable for damages and litigation expenses.

#### Proposal 3 Election of One Director who is Audit and Supervisory Committee Member

Yasuyuki Nakatsutsumi, a Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member, will resign due to personal reasons at the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders. Accordingly, we propose the election of one Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member as his replacement.

The term of office of the Director who will be elected as a substitute Audit and Supervisory Committee Member shall expire at the time when the term of office of the resigned Director would have expired in accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation of the Company.

This proposal has been approved by the Audit and Supervisory Committee.

The candidate for the Director who is an Audit and Su	pervisory Committee Member is as follows:
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Name (Date of birth)	Career sum and signif	Number of the Company's shares	
	Dec. 1985	Assistant Professor, Faculty of Engineering,	owned
	Dec. 1985	Tokyo Institute of Technology	
	Mar. 1990	Lecturer, Graduate School of Integrative	
		Science and Engineering, Tokyo Institute of	
		Technology	
	Apr. 1992	Associate Professor, Interdisciplinary Graduate	
		School of Integrative Science and Engineering,	
		Tokyo Institute of Technology	
	June 1994	Review Committee Member for Australian	
	N 1004	Science and Technology Research Grants	
	Nov. 1994	Fact-Finding Delegation for Implementation Discussions on Electronic Technicians in	
		Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	
	May. 2000	Evaluator for Cryptographic Technology	
	5	Screening at the Information-Technology	
		Promotion Agency (IPA)	
	Apr. 2001	Professor, Global Scientific Information and	
		Computing Center, Tokyo Institute of	
		Technology	
	Feb. 2006	Technical Advisor, Yokohama Municipal	
		Science and Technology High School (tentative name)	
	Apr. 2007	Concurrent Director of the Information	
*	1 ipi. 2007	Infrastructure Support Center, Technical	
Toshiya Ito		Department, Tokyo Institute of Technology	20,000shares
(April 13, 1959)	Apr. 2009	Technical Advisor, Yokohama Municipal	
		Yokohama Science Frontier High School	
	Apr. 2010	Concurrent Director of the Technical	
	Apr. 2016	Department, Tokyo Institute of Technology Professor, School of Computing, Tokyo	
	Api. 2010	Institute of Technology	
	Apr. 2019	Concurrent Director of the Global Scientific	
	-	Information and Computing Center, Tokyo	
		Institute of Technology	
	Apr. 2019	Concurrent Vice President Responsible for	
		Information Infrastructure, Tokyo Institute of Technology	
	July 2021	Chairperson of the Council of Information	
	5 ary 2021	Centers of National Universities	
	Oct. 2024	Professor, School of Information Science and	
		Technology, Tokyo University of Science	
	Apr. 2025	Professor Emeritus, Tokyo University of Science (current position)	
	Apr. 2025	Specially Appointed Professor, Strategic	
		Headquarters, Tokyo University of Science (current position)	
	June 2025	Councilor of the Board, Ikubunkan Institute of	
		Education(Scheduled to be appointed)	

Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company

#### [Reasons for selection as a candidate]

He has served as a Professor at the School of Information Science and Technology and Specially Appointed Professor at the Strategic Headquarters at Tokyo Institute of Technology (now Tokyo University of Science), engaging in research in the IT field and promoting digital transformation (DX). He has also held positions such as Vice President in charge of Information Infrastructure, Chief Information Security Officer (CISO), and roles at the Global Scientific Information and Computing Center (now Information Infrastructure Center). In addition, through his activities as Chairperson of the Council of Information Centers of National Universities, he possesses extensive expertise in IT infrastructure and data platform construction, as well as information security and compliance. Although he has no direct experience in company management, we expect that he will contribute to ensuring the soundness of our company's management. Therefore, we have nominated him as a candidate for director who is an audit and supervisory committee member.

- (Notes) 1. A candidate marked with "X" is a newly appointed candidate.
  - 2. There are no special interests between any of the candidate and the Company.
  - 3. Toshiya Ito is a candidate for Outside Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member.
  - 4. If the election of Toshiya Ito is approved, the Company plans to enter into a limited liability agreement with him pursuant to Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, limiting his liability for damages as set forth in Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the same Act. The maximum amount of liability under such agreement shall be the minimum liability amount prescribed in Article 425, Paragraph 1 of the said Act.
  - 5. The term of office for Toshiya Ito shall be the remaining term of office of Yasuyuki Nakatsutsumi.
  - 6. Toshiya Ito satisfies the requirements for an independent director as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, and if his election is approved, he is scheduled to be designated as an independent director. Although he serves as a councilor of Ikubunkan Yume Gakuen, an educational institution whose Chairman is Miki Watanabe, the Company's Chairman and President & CEO, there are no special interests between the Company and the said institution. Therefore, we have determined that this does not affect he's independence.
  - 7. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance contract as stipulated in Article 430-3, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, which is scheduled to be renewed in October 2025. Subject to the approval of this proposal, the candidate will be included as an insured under this insurance policy. The insurance covers damages incurred by the insured as a result of compensation for damages or litigation expenses arising from claims made during the insurance period in connection with acts (including omissions) performed in their capacity as an officer of the Company.

## (Reference) Skill Matrix of Directors on conclusion of this General Meeting (TBD)

Below are the main area of knowledge and experience the Company expects from each Director if the candidates indicated in this notice are elected as proposed.

Position in the Company Name	Corporate management	Global business	Business management (note 2)	Finance, accounting	Human resources, labor, personnel development	IT and DX	Risk and compliance management	Sustainability and ESG
Representative Director, Chairman, President, and CEO Miki Watanabe	•	•	•	•	•			•
Director, Vice President, and CHO Kuniaki Shimizu	•		•		•		•	•
Director,Mana ging Executive Officer Shoya Watanabe	•	•	•	•		•		
Outside Director and Standing Member of Audit and Supervisory Committee Toshinari Hitsuka	•			•	•		•	
Outside Director and Member of Audit and Supervisory Committee Minako Ohishi							•	•
Outside Director and Member of Audit and Supervisory Committee Toshiya Ito						•	•	

(Notes) 1. This skill matrix does not include all knowledge and experience.

 Business management comprises three areas 1. (Sales and marketing), 2. (Procurement and logistics management), and 3. (Production and quality control). The Directors' expertise in these areas is as follows. Miki Watanabe, Representative Director, Chairman, President, and CEO, has expertise in 1. (Sales and marketing), 2. (Procurement and logistics management), and 3. (Production and quality control).

Kuniaki Shimizu, Director, Vice President, and CHO, has expertise in 1. (Sales and marketing).

Shoya Watanabe, Director, Managing Executive Officer, has expertise in 1. (Sales and marketing).