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#### PARAMOUNT TRADING (JAMAICA) LIMITED

# **Appointment of New Directors**

Paramount Trading (Jamaica) Limited ("the Company") wishes to advise that at its recently concluded Annual General Meeting ("AGM") held on November 18, 2023, the shareholders of the Company considered and thought it fit to elect and appoint the following new directors to the Board: -

# 1. Mrs. Kathryn Lewis-Green

Mrs. Lewis-Green is a founding partner of Lewis, Smith, Williams & Company, Attorneys-at-Law and Trademark Agents. She holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree (B.A.) in Political Science from McMaster University, a Bachelor of Laws Degree (LL.B) from the University of Liverpool, a Legal Education Certificate from the Norman Manley Law School and a Masters of Business Administration (M.B.A.) from the Mona School of Business, University of the West Indies. She was admitted to practice law at the Jamaican Bar in 2011.

Mrs. Lewis-Green is the Chairperson of Ideal Portfolio Services Company and Ideal Finance Corporation. She is also a Director of the Companies Office of Jamaica and the Trade Board Jamaica Limited. Mrs. Kathryn Lewis-Green has been a Director of Salada since February 2012 where she is the Chairperson of the Audit Committee and a member of the Corporate Governance Committee.

# 2. Mrs. Catherine Goodall Jackson

Mrs. Goodall Jackson is an accomplished Marketing Executive with over fifteen (15) years experience in crafting targeted marketing strategies and orchestrating impactful campaigns inclusive of signature events and digital content while handling all back-end tasks with accuracy and efficiency. She has demonstrated talents for innovation, brand building, execution, channel development and leading strategic communications in several industries.

There is no doubt that Mrs. Goodall Jackson is confident and decisive when determining direction, building marketing plans, and delivering presentations. Since 2020, she has been a Business Consultant at Redefine Business Services, LLC. She has worked with local companies to include GraceKennedy Group of Companies, Caribbean Producers Jamaica Limited and LASCO Foods and a plethora of others.

Mrs. Goodall Jackson holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology and Anthropology and a Masters in Business Administration from the Florida International Unviersity in Miami, Florida in the United States of America (U.S.A.). She is a leader in all respects and this was recognised when she was awarded the Governor General's Achievement Award for Leadership & Nation Building.

# 3. Mr. Loren Edwards, J.P.

Mr. Edwards is an experienced results-oriented executive career banker with over four (4) decades and a consistent track record in commercial banking, in general, and retail banking, in particular. His expertise has been severely felt at Union Bank Jamaica Limited as General Manager of Banking Services, RBTT Jamaica Limited as General Manager of the Retail Banking Division and most recently at the National Commercial Bank Jamaica Limited where he was the Senior Assistant General Manager of Retail Banking Division. Mr. Edwards holds a Certificate in Business Studies from the College of Arts, Science & Technology (now the University of Technology) and an Executive Masters in Business Administration from Barry University in Miami, Florida, U.S.A.

He is a Lay Magistrate, Justice of the Peace for the parish of Kingston and sits as a Board Member of the Mile Gully High School, Social Development Commission (Chairman of the Audit Committee) and Comfort Hall Primary and Infant School Board, where he is the Chairman.

#### 4. Mr. Dwight Balli

Mr. Balli is an accomplished Manufacturing Executive & Consultant, with over twenty (20) years of experience in the global branded beverage industry. As Production Director of J. Wray & Nephew Limited, a Gruppo Campari Company, he led their Manufacturing Division where he worked in various positions in Engineering and Core Production Operations. Mr. Balli has spent his career driving mission critical objectives in improving productivity through creating synergies between people development and process automation. He believes that continuous improvement can be had in any manufacturing process through the proper integration of appropriate technologies, world class manufacturing standards and highly developed people who are motivated to live to their full potential.

Mr. Balli holds a Bachelor of Science Degree (BSc.)in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Manitoba and a Masters of Science (MSc.) in Engineering Management from Florida International University in Miami, Florida, U.S.A. In addition to his technical qualifications, he has focused his professional development in the field of Servant Leadership and People Development. He is also involved with corporate social responsibility as a Director of the JWN Foundation.

On a personal note, Mr. Balli is very passionate about family life and an explorer at heart.

The cadre of newly appointed Directors span the financial, corporate, commercial, marketing and manufacturing sectors and their individual and collective contributions will auger well for the continued growth and development of the Company.

The Board of Directors of the Company welcomes the new directors to the Paramount family.

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#### About Paramount Trading (Jamaica) Limited

Paramount Trading (Jamaica) Limited is a publicly listed company on the Junior Market of the Jamaica Stock Exchange. The Company is a multifaceted distribution and manufacturing company. Paramount supplies a diverse clientele within the food, baking, beverage, hospitality, construction, mining, energy, transport and other domestic sectors. The Company was adjudged the Best Practices Award 2015 for Corporate Disclosure and Investor Relations in the Junior Market category, and the Best Practices Award 2015 for Best Performing Company in the Junior Market.