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# Genius Group Welcomes Dr. David Vierra as Interim President of the University of Antelope Valley

SINGAPORE--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Genius Group Limited (“Genius Group” or the “Company”) (NYSE American: GNS), a world-leading entrepreneur Edtech and education group, and the University of Antelope Valley, recently acquired by Genius Group, today welcomed the appointment of Dr. David Vierra as Interim President of the University of Antelope Valley (UAV), effective 1<sup>st</sup> July.

Dr. Vierra has a proven track record of working in education, having spent 40 years in public education, including 7 years teaching and 20 years as Superintendent of the Antelope Valley Union High School District, overseeing the education of over 24,000 students. Dr. Vierra has served on the Board of Trustees at UAV for 10 years and as such has a strong affinity with the university, community, students, and teachers.

After retiring as School Superintendent in 2021, Dr. Vierra decided to embark on this new role as he felt it was an exciting time for UAV and wanted to be part of the new direction and growth envisaged by Roger James Hamilton and the Genius Group team, but also be able to offer continuity to the community, faculty, and campus.

The UAV Board of Trustees voted unanimously to appoint Dr. Vierra as the Interim President. This new appointment follows the completion of the acquisition of UAV by Genius Group last week, and the UAV founders, Marco and Sandra Johnson, changing positions with Marco Johnson resigning as President and taking on the position of Senior Executive of Athletics, and Sandra Johnson taking on the role of Vice President, with both becoming UAV Board of Trustee Members. Roger James Hamilton, Founder and CEO of Genius Group, was also voted in as a member of the Board of Trustees, and Dr. Steve Gocke was voted in as the Board of Trustee’s new Chair.

Mr. Hamilton commented, *“We are delighted by the changes the Board of Trustees have made, providing both continuity and oversight as UAV becomes part of the Genius family. We are looking forward to the next chapter for UAV with David at the helm and with Marco and Sandra taking seats on the Board of Trustees as the founders of the university.”*

Dr. Vierra commented, *“I am pleased to start this new role. Genius Group’s vision for education is something to get excited about, and now that UAV is part of Genius Group, we have an opportunity to expand UAV’s mission of providing quality undergraduate, graduate, certificate, and continuing education to our local and global community.”*

**About Genius Group**

Genius Group is a world leading entrepreneur Edtech and education group, with a mission to disrupt the current education model with a student-centered, life-long learning curriculum that prepares students with the leadership, entrepreneurial and life skills to succeed in today's market. The group has over 2.9 million students in 200 countries, ranging from ages 0 to 100. The group includes four pre-IPO companies (the "Pre-IPO Group"), and four companies that were acquired at the time of or shortly after the IPO (the "IPO Acquisitions").

The entrepreneur education system of our Pre-IPO Group has been delivered virtually and in-person, in multiple languages, locally and globally mainly via the Pre-IPO Group's AI powered, personalized GeniusU Edtech platform to adults seeking to grow their entrepreneur and leadership skills.

The Pre-IPO Group includes Genius Group, GeniusU, Entrepreneurs Institute and Entrepreneur Resorts. This group of entrepreneur education companies has grown through organic growth and acquisitions, with a focus on adding value to each company through GeniusU, which is being developed to provide AI-driven personal recommendations and guidance for each student. The Pre-IPO Group is now expanding its education system to age groups beyond its current adult audience, to children and young adults. The four IPO Acquisitions are the first step towards this. They include: Education Angels, which provides early learning in New Zealand for children from 0-5 years old; E-Square, which provides primary and secondary school education in South Africa; University of Antelope Valley, which provides vocational certifications and university degrees in California, USA; and Property Investors Network, which provides property investment courses and events in England, UK.

Genius Group's post-IPO plan is to combine the education programs of the IPO Acquisitions with its current education programs and Edtech platform as part of one lifelong learning system, and it has selected these acquisitions because they already share aspects of the Genius curriculum and its focus on entrepreneur education.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release contains statements that constitute "forward-looking statements," including with respect to the start of trading of the ordinary shares. Forward-looking statements are subject to numerous conditions, many of which are beyond the control of the Company, including those set forth in the Risk Factors section of the Company's registration statement and preliminary prospectus for the offering filed with the SEC. Copies are available on the SEC's website, [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). The Company undertakes no obligation to update these statements for revisions or changes after the date of this release, except as required by law.

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