

## THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

### pursuant to Chapter 18, Section 4 and Chapter 19, Section 22 of the Swedish Companies Act (2005:551)

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#### Proposed allocation of earnings

The statements of income and the balance sheets of the parent company and the group are subject to adoption by the Annual General Meeting on 30 March 2023.

Funds at the disposal of the annual general meeting of the parent company:

|                         | SEK                  |
|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Share premium reserve   | 545,514,210          |
| Fair value reserve      | 144,128,062          |
| Retained profit         | -23,652,393          |
| Net profit for the year | 1,236,602,404        |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>1,902,592,284</b> |

The board of directors has proposed that the annual general meeting on 30 March 2023 resolves that the funds at the disposal of the general meeting are allocated as follows:

|  | SEK                  |
|--|----------------------|
| a dividend to the shareholders of SEK 7.50 per share | 1,174,642,703        |
| retained earnings to be carried forward              | 727,949,581          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>1,902,592,284</b> |

#### Proposal on record date for dividend

As the record date for dividend, the board of directors has proposed 3 April 2023. If the annual general meeting resolves in accordance with the proposal, the dividend is expected to be distributed by Euroclear Sweden AB on 6 April 2023.

#### Proposed authorization to acquire the company's own shares

The board of directors has further proposed that the 2023 annual general meeting should authorize the board of directors to, on one or several occasions during the time up to the next annual general meeting, decide on the acquisition of the company's own shares. The proposal entails that the board of directors may decide on the acquisitions so that the maximum number of shares held by the company at each point in time does not exceed one tenth of the total number of shares outstanding in the company.

#### The board of directors' statement on the proposed dividend and the proposed authorization to acquire the company's own shares

The board of directors gives the following statement in respect of the proposed dividend and the proposed authorization to acquire the company's own shares pursuant to Chapter 18, Section 4 and Chapter 19, Section 22 of the Swedish Companies Act (2005:551).

The company's funds at disposal of the general meeting as of 31 December 2022 amount to SEK 1,902,592,284 and the net profit for the year amount to SEK 1,236,602,404. Certain assets have been valued at fair value pursuant to Chapter 4, Section 14 a of the Annual Reports Act (1995:1554). SEK 144,128,062 of the parent company's unrestricted equity consists of the fair value reserve which results in the unrestricted equity being increased by a corresponding amount, compared to if the assets being valued at fair value instead had been valued based on acquisition value.

Provided that the 2023 annual general meeting resolves to allocate the earnings in accordance with the board of director's proposal, SEK 727,949,581 will be carried forward. After distribution of the proposed dividend there will be full coverage for the company's restricted equity.

The board of directors' assessment is that the parent company's and group's profit and position are good, which is evident from the most recent profit and loss statement and balance sheet. It is the opinion of the board of directors that the proposed dividend is covered by equity and is within the remit of Avanza's dividend policy. The capital ratio and liquidity, following the proposed dividend, will be satisfactory in relation to the group's activities.

The board of directors has especially considered the current economic climate and the views put forward by the Swedish Riksbank that banks should be moderate with major dividends and share buybacks, to enable a larger financial capacity for action. The assessment is that Avanza's capitalisation, despite the current situation, is good and that the situation does not prompt any change in the assessment regarding the financial position. Avanza has, despite the current situation, not seen any credit losses during the year, and assesses that the situation will not come to mean a major increase of credit losses that would have a material negative impact on shareholders' equity. Both capital adequacy and the liquidity situation are still considered satisfactory after the proposed dividend.

The board of directors will only carry out any acquisitions of the company's own shares pursuant to the authorization under the condition that the company's capital cover ratio and liquidity, even after an acquisition of the company's own shares, are adequate in relation to the business that the group operates in.

Therefore, the board of directors considers the proposed dividend and the proposed authorization to acquire the company's own shares defensible with references to

1. the requirements regarding the size of the shareholders' equity in relation to the nature, scope and risks in relation to the conducted business (both those of the company and of the group), and
2. the consolidation requirements, liquidity and the position in general for each of the company and the group.

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Stockholm in February 2023

*The board of directors of Avanza Bank Holding AB (publ)*