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16<sup>th</sup> February, 2024

<u>To,</u>	
The Secretary	The Secretary
BSE Limited	National Stock Exchange of India Limited
P J Towers,	Exchange Plaza, 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Plot No. C/1,
Dalal Street,	G Block, Bandra-Kurla Complex,
Mumbai – 400 001	Bandra (East), Mumbai – 400 051
BSE Scrip Code: 500173	NSE Symbol: GFL LIMITED
Through: BSE Listing Centre	Through: Neaps

#### Sub: Submission of Postal Ballot Notice to the Members

Dear Sir/Madam,

Pursuant to Regulation 30 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and with reference to our letter dated 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2024, please find enclosed herewith the Postal Ballot Notice along with the Explanatory Statement ("Notice") for seeking approval of Members of the Company by way of Special Resolution for "Approval for appointment of Ms. Girija Balakrishnan (DIN: 06841071) as an Independent Director of the Company".

In accordance with circulars issued by Ministry of Corporate Affairs, from time to time, the Notice is being sent today, i.e. Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2024, through electronic means only to the Members of the Company whose names appear on the Register of Members/ List of Beneficial Owners as on 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2024, being the cut-off date and whose e-mail IDs are registered with their Depository Participant(s)/ the Company. Physical copies of the Postal Ballot Notice along with Postal Ballot Forms and Pre-paid Business Reply Envelope will not be sent to the Members.

The Company has engaged the services of Central Depository Services Limited ('CDSL') to provide remote e-voting facility to its Members. The remote e-voting period commences on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. (IST) and ends on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. (IST). The-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL thereafter. Voting rights of the Members shall be in proportion to the shares held by them in the paid-up Equity share capital of the Company as on the Cut-off date. Please note that communication of assent or dissent of the Members would only take place through the remote e-voting system. The instructions for remote e-voting are provided in the Notice. The results of Postal Ballot will be announced not later than 48 hours from the conclusion of the e-voting and the results along with the Scrutinizer's report, will be communicated to the stock exchanges.

Members who have not registered their e-mail addresses with the Company can now register the same by sending an e-mail to the Registrar and Share Transfer Agent on <u>helpdesk@linkintime.co.in</u>.



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This Postal Ballot Notice will also be available on the Company's website at <u>www.gfllimited.co.in</u> and on the website of CDSL at <u>www.evotingindia.com</u>.

We hereby request you to take the above information on your record.

Thanking You Yours faithfully,

For GFL Limited

Vineesh Vijayan Thazhumpal Company Secretary & Compliance Officer ACS63683



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### NOTICE OF POSTAL BALLOT (Pursuant to Section 110 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rules 20 and 22 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014)

Dear Member(s),

NOTICE of postal ballot ("Notice") is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Section 110 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013, as amended (the "Act"), read with Rules 20 and 22 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules 2014 ("Rules"), Regulation 44 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended (the "SEBI Listing Regulations"), Secretarial Standard on General Meetings (SS-2) issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof, for the time being in force), and other applicable laws and regulations, if any, and in accordance with the guidelines prescribed by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") for conducting postal ballot process through e-voting vide General Circular Nos. 14/2020 dated April 8, 2020, 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020, 20/2020 dated May 5, 2020, 22/2020 dated June 15, 2020, 33/2020 dated September 28, 2020, 39/2020 dated December 31, 2020, 10/2021 dated June 23, 2021, 20/2021 dated December 8, 2021, 3/2022 dated May 5, 2022 and 11/2022 dated December 28, 2022 and the latest one being General Circular No. 9/2023 dated 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2023 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (hereinafter referred to as "MCA Circulars"), that the Special Resolution as set out in this Notice is proposed for consideration by the Members of the Company (as on the Cut-off Date) for passing by means of Postal Ballot by voting through electronic means ("E-voting") only.

Pursuant to Sections 102, 108 and 110 of the Companies Act, the resolution proposed to be passed by way of Postal Ballot through e-voting and the Explanatory Statement setting out the material facts concerning the said resolution and the reasons thereof, are annexed hereto for consideration of the Members.

In compliance with Regulation 44 of the SEBI Listing Regulations and pursuant to the provisions of Sections 108 and 110 of the Act read with the Rules framed thereunder and the MCA Circulars, the manner of voting on the proposed resolution is restricted only to e-voting i.e., by casting votes electronically instead of submitting postal ballot forms. Accordingly, the Postal Ballot Notice and instructions for e-voting are being sent only through electronic mode to those Members whose email address is registered with the Company / depository participant(s). The details of the procedure to cast the vote form part of the Notes to this Notice.

The Board of Directors of the Company ("Board) vide resolution adopted at their Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 has appointed Mr. Dhrumil M. Shah, Practicing Company Secretary (FCS: 8021; CP: 8978), as the Scrutinizer for conducting the Postal Ballot by way of E-voting process in a fair and transparent manner.

Members are requested to carefully read the instructions in this Notice and cast their vote electronically from 09.00 a.m. on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 onwards till 05.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2024, failing which it will be strictly considered that no reply has been received from the Member. After completion of scrutiny of the votes, the Scrutinizer will submit his report to the Chairman of the Company or any other person authorized by the Chairman. The results of Postal Ballot will be announced not later than 48 hours from the conclusion of the e-voting and the result declared along with the Scrutinizer's report, be communicated to the stock exchanges, Company's RTA, NSDL/CDSL and will also be displayed on the Company's website www.gfllimited.co.in.



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The proposed resolution, if approved by the requisite majority, shall be deemed to have been passed on the last date of e-voting, i.e. Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.

### **Special Business:**

Appointment of Ms. Girija Balakrishnan (DIN:06841071) as an Independent Director of the Company:

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, the following resolution as a Special Resolution:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 149, 150, 152, 161, Schedule IV read with the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014, and other applicable provisions, sections, rules of the Companies Act, 2013 and Regulation 17 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (including any statutory modifications or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force), the provisions of the Article of Association of the Company and based on the recommendation of Nomination and Remuneration Committee and the Board of Directors of the Company, approval of the Members be and is hereby accorded, to appoint Ms. Girija Balakrishnan (DIN: 06841071) who was appointed as an Additional Director (Non-Executive - Independent) on the Board of the Company w.e.f 5th February, 2024 up to 4th February, 2029 and who has submitted a declaration that she meets the criteria of independence under Section 149(6) of the Act and Regulation 16(1)(b) of the Listing Regulations and is eligible for appointment under the provisions of the Act, the Rules made thereunder and the Listing Regulations, and in respect of whom the Company has received a Notice in writing under Section 160(1) of the Act proposing her candidature for the office of a Director, as an Independent Director, not liable to retire by rotation, to hold office for a term of five consecutive years i.e., from 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 up to 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2029.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** any of the Directors or the Chief Financial Officer or the Company Secretary of the Company be and are hereby severally authorized to sign and execute all such documents and papers (including appointment letter etc.) as may be required for the purpose and file necessary e-form with the Registrar of Companies and to do all such acts, deeds and things as may considered expedient and necessary in this regard."

**Place:** Mumbai **Date:** 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2024

By order of the Board of Directors For **GFL Limited** 

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### NOTES:

- 1. An Explanatory Statement setting out the material facts and the reason/rationale pursuant to Section 102 of the Act and the other applicable provisions of the Act, in respect of the proposed Special Resolution is annexed hereto. The approval of the Members of the Company is being sought through the remote e-voting facility only.
- 2. This postal ballot notice is being sent by e-mail to all the Members, whose names appear on the register of Members/list of beneficial owners as received from National Securities Depository Limited ("NSDL") and Central Depository Services (India) Limited ("CDSL") as on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 (the "Cut-Off Date") and who have registered their e-mail addresses in respect of electronic holdings with the depository through the concerned depository participants and in respect of physical holdings with the Company's registrar and share transfer agent, Link Intime India Private Limited ("RTA").
- 3. The voting shall be reckoned in proportion to a Member's share of voting rights on the paid-up share capital of the Company as on the Cut-Off Date. Any recipient of the postal ballot notice who was not a Member of the Company as on the Cut-Off Date should treat this postal ballot notice for information purpose only.
- 4. The Members are requested to read carefully the instructions and complete the remote e-voting on or before 5.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.
- 5. Pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Act and Rules framed thereunder and the SEBI Listing Regulations, the Company can serve notices, annual reports and other communication through electronic mode to those Members who have registered their e-mail addresses either with the depository participant(s) or the Company. We request the Members to register / update their e-mail address with their Depository Participant, in case they have not already registered / updated the same. Members who are holding shares in physical form are requested to get their email address registered with the Registrar and Share Transfer Agents.
- 6. As required by Rule 20 and Rule 22 of the Rules read with the MCA Circulars and the SEBI Listing Regulations, the details pertaining to this postal ballot will be published in one English national daily newspaper circulating throughout India (in English language) and one regional daily newspaper (in vernacular language).
- 7. The Board of Directors of the Company ("Board) vide resolution adopted at their Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2024, has appointed Mr. Dhrumil M. Shah, Practicing Company Secretary (FCS: 8021; CP: 8978), as the Scrutinizer for conducting the Postal Ballot by way of E-voting process in a fair and transparent manner. After completion of scrutiny of the votes, the Scrutinizer will submit his report to the Chairman of the Company or any other person authorized by the Chairman. The results of Postal Ballot will be announced not later than 48 hours from the conclusion of the e-voting and the results along with the Scrutinizer's report, will be communicated to the stock exchanges, Company's RTA, NSDL/CDSL and will also be displayed on the Company's website www.gfllimited.co.in
- Relevant document(s) referred to in the accompanying Notice and the Explanatory Statement can be obtained for inspection by sending E-mail to Company on <u>contact@gfllimited.co.in</u> up to the last date of e-voting i.e. Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.



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9. The results of the postal ballot will be placed on the Company's <u>www.gfllimited.co.in</u> and will also be intimated to the Stock Exchanges where the shares of the Company are listed i.e. BSE and NSE, in accordance with the provisions of SEBI Listing Regulations.

10. E-voting:

- In compliance with Regulation 44 of the Listing Regulations and Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013, read with Rule 20 and 22 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, as amended and the relevant MCA Circulars, the Company is pleased to provide facility of e-voting to enable its Members to cast their votes electronically in respect of the resolution as set out in this Postal Ballot Notice.
- The e-voting period commences from Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 (09.00 a.m. IST) and ends on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 (5.00 p.m. IST). The e-voting will not be allowed beyond the aforesaid date and time and the e-voting module shall be forthwith disabled by CDSL upon expiry of the aforesaid period. Once the vote on the resolution is cast by the Member, he/she shall not be allowed to change it subsequently.
- The voting rights of the Members shall be in proportion of their shareholding to the total issued and paidup equity share capital of the Company as on the Cut-off Date i.e. February 12, 2024.
- Members holding shares either in physical form or dematerialized form, as on the Cut-off Date i.e. February 12, 2024, (including those Members who may not receive this Postal Ballot Notice due to non-registration of their email address with RTA or the DPs, as aforesaid) can cast their votes electronically, in respect of the resolution as set out in this Postal Ballot Notice only through the e-voting.

Instructions and other information relating to remote e-voting is provided under the section "Electronic Voting Particulars".



# THE INTRUCTIONS OF SHAREHOLDERS FOR REMOTE E-VOTING (ELECTRONIC VOTING PARTICULARS):

(i) Pursuant to SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 dated 09.12.2020, under Regulation 44 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, listed entities are required to provide remote e-voting facility to its shareholders, in respect of all shareholders' resolutions. However, it has been observed that the participation by the public non-institutional shareholders/retail shareholders is at a negligible level.

Currently, there are multiple e-voting service providers (ESPs) providing e-voting facility to listed entities in India. This necessitates registration on various ESPs and maintenance of multiple user IDs and passwords by the shareholders.

In order to increase the efficiency of the voting process, pursuant to a public consultation, it has been decided to enable e-voting to all the demat account holders, by way of a single login credential, through their demat accounts/ websites of Depositories/ Depository Participants. Demat account holders would be able to cast their vote without having to register again with the ESPs, thereby, not only facilitating seamless authentication but also enhancing ease and convenience of participating in e-voting process.

# Step 1 : Access through Depositories CDSL/NSDL e-Voting system in case of individual shareholders holding shares in demat mode.

(ii) In terms of SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 dated December 9, 2020 on e-Voting facility provided by Listed Companies, Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode are allowed to vote through their demat account maintained with Depositories and Depository Participants. Shareholders are advised to update their mobile number and email Id in their demat accounts in order to access e-Voting facility.

V L	Login Method
shareholders	
Individual	1) Users who have opted for CDSL Easi / Easiest facility, can login through
Shareholders	their existing user id and password. Option will be made available to reach
holding	e-Voting page without any further authentication. The users to login to Easi
securities in	/ Easiest are requested to visit cdsl website www.cdslindia.com and click
Demat mode	on login icon & New System Myeasi Tab.
with CDSL	2) After successful login the Easi / Easiest user will be able to see the e-Voting
Depository	option for eligible companies where the evoting is in progress as per the
	information provided by company. On clicking the evoting option, the user
	will be able to see e-Voting page of the e-Voting service provider for
	casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual
	meeting & voting during the meeting. Additionally, there is also links

# Pursuant to abovesaid SEBI Circular, Login method for e-Voting for Individual shareholders holding securities in Demat mode CDSL/NSDL is given below:

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provided to access the system of all e-Voting Service Providers, so that the user can visit the e-Voting service providers' website directly.

- 3) If the user is not registered for Easi/Easiest, option to register is available at cdsl website <u>www.cdslindia.com</u> and click on login & New System Myeasi Tab and then click on registration option.
- 4) Alternatively, the user can directly access e-Voting page by providing Demat Account Number and PAN No. from a e-Voting link available on <u>www.cdslindia.com</u> home page. The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile & Email as recorded in the Demat Account. After successful authentication, user will be able to see the e-Voting option where the evoting is in progress and also able to directly access the system of all e-Voting Service Providers.
- Individual 1) If you are already registered for NSDL IDeAS facility, please visit the e-Shareholders Services website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: https://eservices.nsdl.com either on a Personal Computer or on a holding mobile. Once the home page of e-Services is launched, click on the securities in "Beneficial Owner" icon under "Login" which is available under 'IDeAS' demat mode with **NSDL** section. A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID and Depository Password. After successful authentication, you will be able to see e-Voting services. Click on "Access to e-Voting" under e-Voting services and you will be able to see e-Voting page. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider name and you will be re-directed to e-Voting service provider website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period.
  - 2) If the user is not registered for IDeAS e-Services, option to register is available at <a href="https://eservices.nsdl.com">https://eservices.nsdl.com</a>. Select "Register Online for IDeAS "Portal or click at
    - https://eservices.nsdl.com/SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp
  - 3) Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: <u>https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/</u> either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile. Once the home page of e-Voting system is launched, click on the icon "Login" which is available under 'Shareholder/Member' section. A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID (i.e. your sixteen digit demat account number hold with NSDL), Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen. After successful authentication, you will be redirected to NSDL Depository site wherein you can see e-Voting page. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider name and you will be redirected to e-Voting service provider website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period.

Individual You can also login using the login credentials of your demat account Shareholders through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility. After Successful login, you will be able to see e-Voting (holding securities option. Once you click on e-Voting option, you will be redirected to in demat mode) NSDL/CDSL Depository site after successful authentication, wherein you can see e-Voting feature. Click on company name or e-Voting service login through provider name and you will be redirected to e-Voting service provider their **Depository Participants** website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period. **(DP)** 



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Important note: Members who are unable to retrieve User ID/ Password are advised to use Forget User ID and Forget Password option available at abovementioned website.

<u>Helpdesk for Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode for any technical issues related to</u> login through Depository i.e. CDSL and NSDL

Login type	Helpdesk details
Individual Shareholders holding securities in Demat mode with CDSL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at <u>helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com</u> or contact at toll free no. 1800 22 55 33
Individual Shareholders holding securities in Demat mode with NSDL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact NSDL helpdesk by sending a request at <u>evoting@nsdl.co.in</u> or call at toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30

Step 2 : Access through CDSL e-Voting system in case of shareholders holding shares in physical mode and non-individual shareholders in demat mode.

- (iii) Login method for Remote e-Voting for Physical shareholders and shareholders other than individual holding in Demat form.
  - 1) The shareholders should log on to the e-voting website <u>www.evotingindia.com</u>.
  - 2) Click on "Shareholders" module.
  - 3) Now enter your User ID
    - a. For CDSL: 16 digits beneficiary ID,
    - b. For NSDL: 8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digits Client ID,
    - c. Shareholders holding shares in Physical Form should enter Folio Number registered with the Company.
  - 4) Next enter the Image Verification as displayed and Click on Login.
  - 5) If you are holding shares in demat form and had logged on to www.evotingindia.com and voted on an earlier e-voting of any company, then your existing password is to be used.
  - 6) If you are a first-time user follow the steps given below:

	For Physical shareholders and other than individual shareholders holding shares in Demat.
PAN	Enter your 10-digit alpha-numeric *PAN issued by Income Tax Department (Applicable for both demat shareholders as well as physical shareholders)



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	• Shareholders who have not updated their PAN with the Company/Depository Participant are requested to use the sequence number sent by Company/RTA or contact Company/RTA.
Dividend	Enter the Dividend Bank Details or Date of Birth (in dd/mm/yyyy format) as
Bank	recorded in your demat account or in the company records in order to login.
Details OR Date of Birth (DOB)	• If both the details are not recorded with the depository or company, please enter the member id / folio number in the Dividend Bank details field.

- (iv) After entering these details appropriately, click on "SUBMIT" tab.
- (v) Shareholders holding shares in physical form will then directly reach the Company selection screen. However, shareholders holding shares in demat form will now reach 'Password Creation' menu wherein they are required to mandatorily enter their login password in the new password field. Kindly note that this password is to be also used by the demat holders for voting for resolutions of any other company on which they are eligible to vote, provided that company opts for e-voting through CDSL platform. It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential.
- (vi) For shareholders holding shares in physical form, the details can be used only for e-voting on the resolutions contained in this Notice.
- (vii) Click on the EVSN for the relevant 'GFL LIMITED' on which you choose to vote.
- (viii) On the voting page, you will see "RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION" and against the same the option "YES/NO" for voting. Select the option YES or NO as desired. The option YES implies that you assent to the Resolution and option NO implies that you dissent to the Resolution.
- (ix) Click on the "RESOLUTIONS FILE LINK" if you wish to view the entire Resolution details.
- (x) After selecting the resolution, you have decided to vote on, click on "SUBMIT". A confirmation box will be displayed. If you wish to confirm your vote, click on "OK", else to change your vote, click on "CANCEL" and accordingly modify your vote.
- (xi) Once you "CONFIRM" your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.
- (xii) You can also take a print of the votes cast by clicking on "Click here to print" option on the Voting page.
- (xiii) If a demat account holder has forgotten the login password, then Enter the User ID and the image verification code and click on Forgot Password & enter the details as prompted by the system.
- (xiv) There is also an optional provision to upload BR/POA if any uploaded, which will be made available to scrutinizer for verification.



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- (xv) Additional Facility for Non Individual Shareholders and Custodians –For Remote Voting only.
  - Non-Individual shareholders (i.e. other than Individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) and Custodians are required to log on to <u>www.evotingindia.com</u> and register themselves in the "Corporates" module.
  - A scanned copy of the Registration Form bearing the stamp and sign of the entity should be emailed to <u>helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com</u>.
  - After receiving the login details a Compliance User should be created using the admin login and password. The Compliance User would be able to link the account(s) for which they wish to vote on.
  - The list of accounts linked in the login will be mapped automatically & can be delink in case of any wrong mapping.
  - It is Mandatory that, a scanned copy of the Board Resolution and Power of Attorney (POA) which they have issued in favour of the Custodian, if any, should be uploaded in PDF format in the system for the scrutinizer to verify the same.
  - Alternatively, Non Individual shareholders are required mandatory to send the relevant Board Resolution/ Authority letter etc. together with attested specimen signature of the duly authorized signatory who are authorized to vote, to the Scrutinizer and to the Company at the email address viz; <u>contact@gfllimited.co.in</u>, if they have voted from individual tab & not uploaded same in the CDSL e-voting system for the scrutinizer to verify the same.

# PROCESS FOR THOSE SHAREHOLDERS WHOSE EMAIL/MOBILE NO. ARE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE COMPANY/DEPOSITORIES.

1. For Physical shareholders- please provide necessary details like Folio No., Name of shareholder, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), PAN (self-attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self-attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) by email to Company/RTA email id.

2. For Demat shareholders -, Please update your email id & mobile no. with your respective Depository Participant (DP)

3. For Individual Demat shareholders – Please update your email id & mobile no. with your respective Depository Participant (DP) which is mandatory while e-Voting & joining virtual meetings through Depository.

If you have any queries or issues regarding e-Voting from the CDSL e-Voting System, you can write an email to <u>helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com</u> or contact at toll free no. 1800 22 55 33.

All grievances connected with the facility for voting by electronic means may be addressed to Mr. Rakesh Dalvi, Sr. Manager, (CDSL,) Central Depository Services (India) Limited, A Wing, 25th Floor, Marathon Futurex, Mafatlal Mill Compounds, N M Joshi Marg, Lower Parel (East), Mumbai - 400013 or send an email to <u>helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com</u> or call at toll free no. 1800 22 55 33



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### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 102 OF THE COMPANIES ACT 2013**

Pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, 2013, the Board of Directors at their Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2024, based on the recommendation of Nomination and Remuneration Committee, appointed Ms. Girija Balakrishnan (DIN: 06841071), as an Additional Director (in the capacity of Independent Director) of the Company, with effect from 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 for a term of five consecutive years i.e. upto 4th February, 2029 (both days inclusive) under Sections 149, 150 and 152 of the Act and Article 145 of the Articles of Association of the Company, subject to the approval of the shareholders through special resolution.

Pursuant to Regulation 17(1C) of Listing Regulations, Ms. Girija Balakrishnan shall hold office until the date of next General Meeting or for a period of three months from the date of appointment, whichever is earlier. Ms. Balakrishnan is eligible to be appointed as an Independent Director for a term of upto five consecutive years.

The Company has received:

- consent in writing from Ms. Balakrishnan to act as a Director in Form DIR 2 pursuant to Rule 8 of the Companies (Appointment & Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 ('Appointment Rules')
- intimation in Form DIR 8 in terms of the Appointment Rules from Ms. Balakrishnan to the effect that he is not disqualified under sub-section (2) of Section 164 of the Act
- a declaration to the effect that she meets the criteria of independence as provided in sub-section (6) of Section 149 of the Act and under LODR Regulations.
- Declaration pursuant to BSE Circular No. LIST/COMP/14/2018-19 dated June 20, 2018, and NSE Circular No. NSE/ CML/2018/24 dated June 20, 2018 that she has not been debarred from holding office of a Director by virtue of any Order passed by the Securities and Exchange Board of India or any other such authority.
- notice under Section 160 of the Act from the Member of the Company, proposing her candidature as an Independent Director of the Company
- Further, has successfully registered herself in the Independent Director's Data Bank maintained by Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs.

With the belief that creation of a diverse pipeline of succession for the Board Members is vital for creating a robust future for the Company, the Nomination and Remuneration Committee considers candidates having experience and expertise across industries for appointment on the Board. It also deliberates on various factors including current tenure of Directors, skill matrix including skill-gaps, diversity, time-commitment and statutory requirements while considering the appointment of any person on the Board. This ensures smooth transitions in key Board positions.

#### Brief profile of Girija Balakrishnan (DIN: 06841071) is given herein below:

Ms. Girija Balakrishnan, graduated from the prestigious National Law School of India University in 1993, joined Malvi Ranchoddas & Co. as an associate in November 1993 and became a partner of the firm in April 2001. She is a member of the Bar Council of Karnataka. She presently heads the general corporate advisory practice at Malvi Ranchoddas & Co.

Ms. Balakrishnan is having over 31 years and above rich experience and specializes in Corporate Laws, Mergers and Acquisitions, Commercial Laws, Foreign Direct Investments, Joint Ventures and Foreign Collaboration.



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Ms. Balakrishnan has also represented clients in various Courts, tribunals and forum including the High Court, Securities Appellate Tribunal, the Debt Recovery Tribunal, Consumer Forum, mediators, arbitrators, proceedings before the Estate Officer appointed under the Public Premises (Eviction) Act and adjudication proceedings before officers appointed by the Securities & Exchange Board of India.

Other relevant information of Ms. Balakrishnan as required under SEBI LODR Regulations and SS-2 are provided as annexure.

A copy of the draft letter for the appointment of Ms. Balakrishnan as an Independent Director setting out the terms and conditions is available for inspection without any fee by the members at the Company's registered office during normal business hours on working days up to Tuesday, 19 March, 2024.

All the material documents referred to in the Notice and Explanatory Statement such as the appointment letter, statutory forms etc. are available for inspection without any fee by the members at the Company's registered office during normal business hours on working days from the date of dispatch of the notice up to the last date of voting, i.e. Tuesday, 19 March, 2024.

In compliance with the provisions of Section 149 read with Schedule IV to the Act and Regulation 17 of the LODR Regulations, the approval of the Members is sought for the appointment of Ms. Balakrishnan as Independent Director of the Company, as a special resolution as set out above.

No director, key managerial personnel or their relatives are interested in or concerned with the resolution.



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The Board recommends passing of the proposed Special resolution contained in Special Business 1 of the accompanying Notice for the approval of the members.

Place: Mumbai Date: 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 By order of the Board of Directors For **GFL Limited** 

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#### Annexure

Additional information on director recommended for appointment as required under Regulation 36 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and applicable Secretarial Standards

Age	54
DIN	06841071
Nature of expertise in specific functional areas	Corporate Laws, Mergers and Acquisitions, Commercial Laws, Foreign Direct Investments, Joint Ventures and Foreign Collaboration.
Inter-se relationships with directors and key managerial personnel	NA
Shareholding in the Company	NIL
Key terms and conditions of appointment	As per the resolution of this Notice read with the explanatory statement thereto
Listed companies in which Ms. Balakrishnan holds Directorship and Committee Membership	INOX India Limited
Remuneration proposed to be paid	Sitting fees within the limit prescribed as per Companies Act, 2013
Date of first appointment on Board, last drawn remuneration and number of Board meetings attended	It is proposed to appoint Ms. Girija Balakrishnan as Director for her first term on the Board and hence, these details are not applicable.
Membership in the Board committees	<b>INOX India Limited:</b> Chairperson of Audit Committee and Nomination and remuneration committee; and Member in Stakeholders Relationship Committee and Corporate Social Responsibility Committee
Listed Entities from which Ms. Balakrishnan has resigned as Director in past 3 years	NIL
Skills and capabilities required for the role and the manner in which Ms. Balakrishnan meets such requirements	Please refer to the explanatory statement