## **CHAPTER III General Meeting of Shareholders**

### **ARTICLE XIII (Convening of General Meeting of Shareholders)**

An ordinary general meeting of shareholders shall be convened in June of each year, and an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders shall be convened from time to time, whenever necessary.

# ARTICLE XIV (Chairman)

The President and Chief Executive Officer shall assume chairmanship of a general meeting of shareholders. In case, however, the President and Chief Executive Officer is prevented by unavoidable circumstances from so acting, or in case the post of the President and Chief Executive Officer is vacant, a surrogate shall act as chairman, according to the order as decided by the Board of Directors.

### ARTICLE XV (Exercise of Voting Right by Proxy)

A shareholder may appoint another shareholder (one person only) having voting rights to be his or her proxy in order to exercise his or her voting rights.

#### **ARTICLE XVI (Electronic Provision Measures)**

In convening a general meeting of shareholders, the Company may provide the content of reference materials, etc., for the general meeting of shareholders in electronic form.

Of the items to be provided electronically, the Company may decide to omit some or all of the items stipulated by ordinance of the Ministry of Justice from the paper form of reference materials provided to shareholders who request such materials in paper form by the reference date of the right to vote.

## **ARTICLE XVII (Resolution)**

A special resolution by a general meeting of shareholders (which refers to a resolution stipulated in the Companies Act, Article 309, Paragraph 2) shall be adopted when, at a general meeting of shareholders where shareholders with voting rights surpassing 1/3 of the aggregate voting rights of the total shareholders capable of exercising such rights are present, it is approved by a vote of 2/3 or more of the voting rights present.

All resolutions other than those provided for in the preceding paragraph shall be adopted by a majority vote of the shareholders present, unless otherwise provided for by laws or ordinances or by the Articles of Incorporation.

# **CHAPTER IV Directors, Board of Directors and Executive Officers**

## **ARTICLE XVIII (Election of Directors)**

Directors shall be elected by resolutions of a general meeting of shareholders.

With respect to resolutions for the election provided for in the preceding paragraph, the attendance of shareholders owning not less than one-third of total voting rights of qualified shareholders shall be required.

Resolutions for the election of Directors shall not be conducted by cumulative voting.

#### **ARTICLE XIX (Term of Office of Directors)**

The term of office of each of the Directors shall expire at the close of the ordinary general meeting of shareholders held for the last business year that ends within one year from assumption of office.