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# **FORM 10-K**

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# ☑ ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024

or

## □ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_

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# HWH INTERNATIONAL INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware		87-3296100					
(State or other jurisdiction of		(I.R.S. Employer					
incorporation or organization)		Identification Number)					
4800 Montgomery Lane, Suite 210							
Bethesda, MD 20814		301-971-3955					
(Address of Principal		Registrant's telephone number,					
Executive Offices)		including area code					
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:							
Title of each class	Trading Symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered					
Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	HWH	The Nasdaq Capital Market					
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: N	ione						
Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known sea	soned issuer, as defined in Rule 405	of the Securities Act. Yes 🗆 No 🛛					
Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file	e reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 13	ection 15(d) of the Act. Yes $\Box$ No $\boxtimes$					
		ction 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the ports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the					
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submittee S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 mon		ta File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation e registrant was required to submit such files). Yes $\boxtimes$ No $\square$					
		non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging porting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2					
□ Large accelerated filer ⊠ Non-accelerated filer		ed filer eporting company growth company					
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to	e	ise the extended transition period for complying with any new or $\Box$					
		ement's assessment of the effectiveness of its internal control over registered public accounting firm that prepared or issued its audit					
If securities are registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the A the correction of an error to previously issued financial state	-	the financial statement of the registrant included in the filing reflect					
Indicate by check mark whether any of those error correction	ons are restatements that required a 1	recovery analysis of incentive-based compensation received by any					

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act): Yes 🗆 No 🗵

of the registrant's executive officers during the relevant recovery period pursuant to §240.10D-1(b).

Aggregate market value of voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of July 1, 2024 based upon the closing price of the common stock as reported by the Nasdaq Global Select Market on such date, was approximately \$22,702,995.

As of March 31, 2025, there were 6,476,400 shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share of the Company issued and outstanding.

# DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

None.

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Throughout this Report on Form 10-K, the terms the "Company," "HWH," "we," "us," and "our" refer to HWH International Inc., and "our board of directors" refers to the board of directors of HWH International Inc.

## CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

This Annual Report on Form 10-K contains forward-looking statements regarding, among other things, our future operating results and financial position, our business strategy, and other objectives for our future operations. The words "anticipate," "believe," "intend," "expect," "may," "estimate," "predict," "project," "potential" and similar expression are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on our current expectations and projections about future events and financial trends that we believe may affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. There are a number of important risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those indicated by forward-looking statements. We may not actually achieve the plans, intentions or expectations disclosed in our forward-looking statements, and you should not place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements. Actual results or events could differ materially from the plans, intentions and expectations disclosed in the forward-looking statements we make. Our forward-looking statements do not reflect the potential impact of any future acquisitions, mergers, dispositions, joint ventures or investments that we may make.

You should read this Report on Form 10-K and the documents that we have filed as exhibits to this Report on Form 10-K completely and with the understanding that our actual future results may be materially different from what we expect. The forward-looking statements contained in this Report on Form 10-K are made as of the date of this Report on Form 10-K, and we do not assume any obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by applicable law.

## PART I

## Item 1. Business.

#### General

The Company was incorporated in Delaware on October 20, 2021 under the name Alset Capital Acquisition Corp. The Company was formed for the purpose of effecting a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase, reorganization or similar business combination with one or more businesses (the "Business Combination"). On February 3, 2022, the Company completed its Initial Public Offering. The Company consummated the Business Combination on January 9, 2024 and changed its name from "Alset Capital Acquisition Corp." to "HWH International Inc."

The business we acquired in January of 2024 started in South Korea with a single-level membership marketing model with limited products for sale. We registered the business on April 1, 2019, and we started selling founders packages on July 1, 2019. While we had been profitable and growing, the COVID-19 pandemic had a material adverse effect on such growth and profits. We created a new corporate structure, with subsidiaries in the United States, Hong Kong and Singapore, that would allow for quick geographical expansion and turning our focus to the Hapi Café development.

We have 9,811 individuals with founding member status. This is a privileged class that will be able to enjoy continuous membership benefits given that they have trusted the Company and joined at an early stage. Such benefits include the ability to purchase new future memberships, in the model described below, at a favorable rate to be determined by the Company. They will also continue to be able to earn affiliate commissions as they sell our products in the marketplace and enjoy discounted rates when visiting Hapi Cafés until further notice. The total number of founding members was capped at 10,000. The Company is in the midst of implementing a new membership model. While we are not currently selling memberships, we intend to resume membership sales under this new model.

Members will get exclusive discounts on Hapi Marketplace products, priority invites to product launch events and other parties, and look to earn passive income through affiliate commissions at Hapi Marketplace.

## Our operations include:

Hapi Marketplace, which offers certain products at a discounted price to our members. Hapi Marketplace, HWH's online consumer marketplace, went live in September of 2024, and now offers over 6,500 products from manufacturers and wholesalers, including a wide range of items such as bathroom supplies, fashion products, accessories, cosmetics, and health supplements.

*Hapi Cafés,* which are, and will be, in-person, location-based social experiences, offer members the opportunity to build a sense of community with likeminded customers who share a potential interest in our products. The cafes expose our members to and educate them about the products and services of our affiliates, providing us with the chance to significantly increase our membership base as well as increase the amounts spent by our members on our affiliates' products and services. Each of our cafés is a "Hapi Café." We opened proof-of-concept Hapi Café locations in Seoul, South Korea and Singapore in May 2022, July 2022 and April 2024, respectively, and plan to open additional Hapi Cafés as we beta test and further improve our business concept. We intend to grow our memberships as we grow the number of Hapi Cafés around the world. Hapi Cafe is positioned to be an integral part of HWH's business model.

Our travel business is in the planning stage as we are working with our affiliates to determine the market-by-market services. Through our travel business, we plan to offer exclusive access to unpublished rates and discounts on air travel, cruises, car rentals, hotels, and resorts for members. We have made a minority investment into a travel agency with a HK, China and Malaysia presence. The focus is primarily on educational tours for China's primary and secondary school students visiting attractions and tours in China and overseas. We also conduct business for hotel booking offers to a hotel booking platform as well as organizing tour conferences for groups and communities. The Company shall continue develop consumer traveling services and hotel booking services in Asia.

Hapi Wealth Builder is in the planning stage as we are exploring the options of providing services to our members through financial informational materials aimed at various types of investing opportunities. The team has been diligently producing digital content for Hapi Wealth Builder and working to collaborate with the right partners to launch the program and make it available to members. We have completed a soft launch with Hapi Cafe China to build the credibility and reputation of the Company and its Hapi Wealth Builder business, which we intend to launch later in 2025.

### **Market Opportunity**

Following the COVID-19 pandemic, we believe people are looking for in-person communities. By offering a social and business centric atmosphere at our Hapi Cafés, we plan to leverage this deeply-rooted desire and build a membership organization, increase their familiarity with and educate them about the products and services of our affiliates and how those products and services can help them in their own individual pursuits of health, wealth and happiness.

## **Growth Strategy**

Our strategy is to continuously grow our membership base, while displaying to our members the added benefits of the higher tiers of membership. We will look to accomplish this by providing a comfortable in person setting of a Hapi Café for our customers in many more locations. We also plan to continually expand our product offerings and the services our affiliate companies can provide in the belief that this can serve to grow our membership base and have our members increasingly opt to avail themselves of membership options that offer them larger discounts and other benefits on the products and services of our affiliates.

## **Nasdaq Deficiency**

On March 7, 2024, we received notice from Nasdaq Stock Market, LLC ("Nasdaq") indicating that, because the market value of our common stock had been below \$50,000,000 for the prior 37 consecutive business days, we no longer complied with the minimum market value of listed securities (the "MVLS") requirement for continued listing on the Nasdaq Global Market under Rule 5450(b)(2)(A) of Nasdaq Listing Rules.

Nasdaq's notice had no immediate effect on the listing of our common stock on the Nasdaq Global Market. Pursuant to Nasdaq Marketplace Rule 5810(c) (3)(C), we had been provided an initial compliance period of 180 calendar days, or until September 3, 2024, to regain compliance with the MVLS requirement. To regain compliance, the Company's MVLS was required to be at least \$50,000,000 or more for a minimum of ten consecutive business days prior to September 3, 2024. In that regard, on September 9, 2024, the Company received a notice from the Staff that the matter of the MVLS deficiency was to be considered at the Company's upcoming appeal with the Nasdaq Hearings Panel.



On February 22, 2024, the Nasdaq Staff (the "Staff") notified the Company that for the previous 30 consecutive trading days, the MVPHS had been below the minimum 15,000,000 required for continued listing as set forth in Listing Rule 5450(b)(2)(C) (the "Rule"). Therefore, in accordance with Marketplace Rule 5810(c)(3)(D), the Company was provided 180 calendar days, or until August 20, 2024, to regain compliance with the Rule. In that regard, on August 27, 2024, the Company received a notice from the Staff that the Company will be delisted from the Nasdaq Global Market, unless the Company requested an appeal of this determination by September 3, 2024.

The Company presented its compliance plan to the Panel at a hearing on October 15, 2024. On October 21, 2024, the Company received a notice from the Panel granting the Company an extension to phase down its securities to the Nasdaq Capital Market and demonstrate compliance with the market value of its publicly held shares (the "MVPHS") and Stockholders' Equity requirements as set forth in Nasdaq Listing Rules 5550(a)(5) and 5550(b)(1).

On September 4, 2024, the Company received written notice (the "Notice") from the Listing Qualifications Staff of Nasdaq notifying the Company that for the prior 30 consecutive business days prior to the date of the Notice, the Company's bid price was below the minimum \$1 required for continued listing on the Nasdaq Global Market pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5450(a)(1) (the "Bid Price Requirement"). In accordance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(A), Nasdaq provided the Company with 180 calendar days, or until March 3, 2025, (the "Compliance Date"), to regain compliance with the Bid Price Requirement.

On March 10, 2025, the Company received written notice (the "Compliance Notice") from Nasdaq informing the Company that it has regained compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2), which requires that companies listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market maintain a minimum bid price of \$1.00 per share. Nasdaq notified the Company in the Compliance Notice that, from February 24, 2025 to March 7, 2025, the closing bid price of the Company's common stock had been \$1.00 per share or greater and, accordingly, the Company had regained compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2) and that the matter was now closed. The Company is currently listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market.

On February 18, 2025, the Company filed a Certificate of Amendment to the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation with the Delaware Secretary of State to effect a 1-for-5 reverse stock split (the "Reverse Stock Split"). The Reverse Stock Split became effective as of market open on February 24, 2025. The par value of the common stock following the reverse stock split remains at \$0.001 per share. The reverse stock split has been retroactively applied to all financial statements presented.

As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the total outstanding common shares of the Company were 5,593,920 and 2,000, respectively; the total outstanding class A common shares of the Company were 0 and 94,750, respectively; the total outstanding class B common shares of the Company were 0 and 431,250, respectively.

## **Credit Facility**

On April 24, 2024, we entered into a Credit Facility Agreement (the "Credit Agreement") with Alset Inc., a Texas corporation and the Company's indirect, majority stockholder, pursuant to which Alset Inc. has provided the Company a line of credit facility (the "Credit Facility"), which provides a maximum, aggregate credit line of up to \$1,000,000. As of December 31, 2024, \$300,000 credit was used and \$700,000 is available to use in the future.

Pursuant to the Credit Agreement, the Company may request an advance (each, an "Advance") on the Credit Facility. Each Advance shall bear a simple interest rate of three percent (3%) per annum. Each Advance and all accrued but unpaid interest shall be due and payable at the first (1st) anniversary of the effective date of the Credit Agreement. HWH may at any time during the term of the Credit Agreement prepay a portion or all amounts of its indebtedness without penalty. Each advance shall not be secured by a lien or other encumbrance on any HWH assets, but shall be solely a general unsecured debt obligation of HWH.



#### **Debt Conversion Agreements**

On September 24, 2024, HWH International Inc. entered into two debt conversion agreements with creditors (each an "Agreement," or collectively, the "Agreements"): (i) Alset International Limited (the Company's majority stockholder); and (ii) Alset Inc. (which is Alset International Limited's majority stockholder). Each Agreement converts debt owed by the Company to the respective creditor into shares of the Company's common stock. The Agreements are substantially the same with the exception of the amount of debt to be converted under each.

Under the terms of their respective agreements, Alset Inc. converted \$300,000 of the Company's debt into 476,190 shares of the Company's common stock, and Alset International Limited converted \$3,501,759 of the Company's debt into 5,558,347 shares of the Company's common stock. Under the Agreements, the debt conversions resulted in the issuance of newly issued shares of the Company's common stock. The debt conversion price was set at \$0.63 per share. Cumulatively, the newly issued shares contemplated by the Agreements represent 6,034,537 new shares of the Company's common stock, constituting an increase to the total issued and outstanding shares of the Company's common stock of 37.2% over the amount immediately preceding the effectiveness of the Agreements. The shares contemplated by the Agreements are restricted securities under the Securities Act of 1933, and shall be issued in reliance upon the safe harbor provided by Rule 506 of Regulation D.

## **Stock Purchase Agreements**

On November 25, 2024, the Company entered into a stock purchase agreement with Alset Inc. ("AEI"), pursuant to which Alset Inc. agreed to purchase 4,411,764 shares of the Company's common stock for a purchase price of \$0.68 per share. AEI is the majority shareholder of the Company, and immediately prior to the effectiveness of the stock purchase agreement, AEI directly and through its subsidiaries owned 86.6% of the issued and outstanding shares of HWH common stock.

On December 24, 2024, the Company entered into a Stock Purchase Agreement with AEI, pursuant to which AEI agreed to purchase 1,300,000 shares of the Company's common stock (the "Shares") for a total of \$585,000, representing a purchase price of \$0.45 per share. AEI is the majority shareholder of the Company.

AEI's investments are intended to support the growth and development of HWH. The Company believes that these investments of additional funds into HWH are in the best interests of each of AEI and the Company.

#### Going Concern and Management's Plan

On January 9, 2024, the Company consummated the Business Combination (the "Closing") contemplated by the previously announced Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of September 9, 2022 (the "Merger Agreement"). The Company's common stock commenced trading on the Nasdaq Global Market LLC under the ticker symbol "HWH" on January 9, 2024, and the Company's warrants are expected to commence trading at a later date.

The Company has incurred continuing losses from its operations and has a working capital deficit of \$2,163,723 as of December 31, 2024. There are no assurances the Company will be able to raise capital on acceptable terms or that cash flows generated from its operations will be sufficient to meet its current operating costs. If the Company is unable to obtain sufficient amounts of additional capital, it may be required to reduce the scope of its business, which could harm its financial condition and operating results.

These conditions raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue ongoing operations. However, the Company believes that the available cash in the Company's bank accounts, anticipated cash from operations, and financing availability from related parties are sufficient to fund our operations for at least the next 12 months.

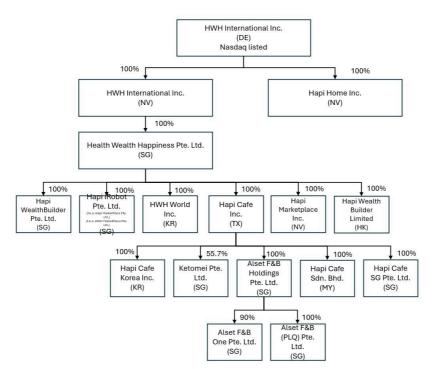
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Pursuant to the Agreement, the Company may request an advance (each, an "Advance") on the Credit Facility. Each advance shall bear a simple interest rate of three percent (3%) per annum. Each Advance and all accrued but unpaid interest shall be due and payable at the first (1st) anniversary of the effective date of the Agreement. HWH may at any time during the term of the Agreement prepay a portion or all amounts of its indebtedness without penalty. Each Advance shall not be secured by a lien or other encumbrance on any HWH assets, but shall be solely a general unsecured debt obligation of the Company.

The Company has obtained letters of financial support from Alset International Limited and Alset Inc., an indirect and direct owner of the Company, respectively. Alset International Limited and Alset Inc. committed to provide any additional funding required by the Company and would not demand repayment through twelve months from the issuance of these consolidated financial statements.



#### **Our Organizational Chart:**



#### Employees

At the present time, the Company has 16 employees. The Company had an agreement with Alset Management Group, Inc., pursuant to which, for a fee, Alset Management Group, Inc. provided the Company with secretarial and administrative services. This agreement expired at the time of closing of Business Combination.

## **Intellectual Property**

We anticipate filing additional trademark applications as we expand into new areas of business.

#### **Corporate Information**

Our mailing address is 4800 Montgomery Lane, Suite 210, Bethesda, MD, 20814. We were incorporated in Delaware on October 20, 2021 under the name Alset Capital Acquisition Corp. The Company is an early stage and emerging growth company and, as such, the Company is subject to all of the risks associated with early stage and emerging growth companies.

## **Additional Information**

The Company is subject to the information requirements of the Exchange Act, and, in accordance therewith, files annual, quarterly, and special reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"). The Commission maintains an internet website at http://www.sec.gov that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the Commission. The periodic reports, proxy statements and other information that the Company files with the Commission are available for inspection on the Commission's website free of charge as soon as reasonably practicable after they are electronically filed with or furnished to the Commission.

The Company maintains a website at https://www.hwhintl.com where you may also access these materials free of charge. We have included our website address as an inactive textual reference only and the information contained in, and that can be accessed through, our website is not incorporated into and is not part of this report on Form 10-K.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors.

Not applicable to smaller reporting companies.

#### Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.

Not applicable to smaller reporting companies.

#### Item 1C. Cybersecurity.

#### Risk Management and Strategy

We recognize the critical importance of developing, implementing, and maintaining robust cybersecurity measures to safeguard our information systems and protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of our data.

#### Managing Material Risks and Integrated Overall Risk Management

We have strategically integrated cybersecurity risk management into our broader risk management framework to promote a company-wide culture of cybersecurity risk management. This integration ensures that cybersecurity considerations are an integral part of our decision-making processes at every level. Our management continuously evaluate and addresses cybersecurity risks in alignment with our business objectives and operational needs.

#### Risks from Cybersecurity Threats

We have not encountered cybersecurity challenges that have materially impaired our operations or financial standing.

## **Cybersecurity Governance**

Our Board considers cybersecurity risk as part of its risk oversight function and has delegated to the Audit Committee (the "Committee") oversight of cybersecurity, data privacy and other information technology risks. The Committee oversees management's implementation of our cybersecurity risk management program and cybersecurity risk exposures, and the steps taken by management to monitor and mitigate cybersecurity risks. The Committee is composed of members of our board of directors with diverse expertise, which has prepared them to oversee our cybersecurity risks.

The Committee receives periodic reports from management on our cybersecurity risks. In addition, management updates the Committee, as necessary, regarding any material cybersecurity incidents, as well as any incidents with lesser impact potential.

The Committee reports to the Board regarding its activities, including those related to cybersecurity. The Board also receives briefings from management on our cybersecurity risk management program.

Our management team, including our Chief Executive Officer, are responsible for assessing and managing our material risks from cybersecurity threats. The team has primary responsibility for our overall cybersecurity risk management program and supervises efforts to prevent, detect, mitigate and remediate cybersecurity risks and incidents through various means, which may include briefings from internal security consultants; threat intelligence and other information obtained from governmental, public or private sources, including external consultants which may be engaged by us; and alerts and reports produced by security tools deployed in the information technology environment. Our management team's experience includes monitoring the cybersecurity landscape for new risks and best practices, developing and executing cybersecurity strategies, overseeing related governance policies, testing compliance with applicable technical standards, remediating known risks and leading employee training programs.

## **Item 2. Properties**

Our executive offices are located at 4800 Montgomery Lane, Suite 210, Bethesda, MD 20814, and our telephone number is (301) 971-3955. The cost for our use of this space was included in the \$10,000 per month fee we paid to Alset Management Group Inc. for office space, administrative and shared personnel support services. Upon completion of the Business Combination, the Company ceased paying these monthly fees. At the present time, our majority stockholder is temporarily providing us office space at no cost. We consider our current office space adequate for our current operations.

#### Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

The Company is not a party to any material pending legal proceedings.

There are no material proceedings to which any director, officer or affiliate of the Company, or any owner of record or beneficially of more than five percent of any class of voting securities of the Company, or any associate of any such director, officer, affiliate of the Company, or security holder is a party adverse to the Company or any of its subsidiaries or has a material interest adverse to the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

#### Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

## PART II

## Item 5. Market for Company's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Small Business Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

## **Market Information**

Our common stock is currently listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market under the symbol "HWH". As of December 31, 2024, we had approximately 5,593,920 shares of common stock issued and outstanding.

Prior to our initial listing on the Nasdaq Global Market there was no public trading market for our securities. We subsequently moved to the Nasdaq Capital Market.

## Holders

As of December 31, 2024, the Company had eight stockholders of record. The number of holders of record does not include a substantially greater number of "street name" holders or beneficial holders whose shares of the Company's common stock are held of record by banks, brokers and other financial institutions.

#### Dividends

We have never declared or paid cash dividends on our capital stock. We intend to retain all available funds and any future earnings for use in the operation of our business and do not anticipate paying any cash dividends on our capital stock in the foreseeable future. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any determination to pay cash dividends will be at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend upon a number of factors, including our results of operations, financial condition, future prospects, contractual restrictions, restrictions imposed by applicable law and other factors our board of directors deems relevant.

#### Securities authorized for issuance under equity compensation plans.

The Company does not have securities authorized for issuance under any equity compensation plans.

#### Performance graph

Not applicable to smaller reporting companies.

## Recent sales of unregistered securities; use of proceeds from registered securities

On November 8, 2021, our Sponsor purchased 2,156,250 founder shares for an aggregate purchase price of \$25,000, or approximately \$0.012 per share. Such securities were issued pursuant to the exemption from registration contained in Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act. Prior to the initial investment in the Company of \$25,000 by our Sponsor, the Company had no assets, tangible or intangible. The per share purchase price of the founder shares was determined by dividing the amount of cash contributed to the Company by the aggregate number of founder shares issued. The number of founder shares issued was determined based on the expectation that the founder shares would represent 20% of the outstanding shares after the Initial Public Offering (excluding the placement units and underlying securities).

On February 3, 2022, we consummated our Initial Public Offering (the "Offering") of an aggregate of 8,625,000 units ("Units") including the issuance of 1,125,000 Units as a result of the underwriter's full exercise of its over-allotment option. The Units were sold at an offering price of \$10.00 per Unit, generating gross proceeds of \$86,250,000.



Simultaneously with the consummation of the Offering, the Company consummated the private placement of 473,750 units (the "Private Placement Units") to the Sponsor, including the issuance of 33,750 Private Placement Units in connection with the underwriter's full exercise of its over-allotment option, at a price of \$10.00 per Private Placement Unit, generating total gross proceeds of \$4,735,500 (the "Private Placement"). The Private Placement was conducted as a non-public transaction and, as a transaction by an issuer not involving a public offering, was exempt from registration under the Securities Act in reliance upon Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act.

Of the gross proceeds received from the Offering, including the full exercise of the over-allotment option, and the Private Placement Units, \$86.25 million and \$4.7 million was placed in the Trust Account, respectively.

On February 3, 2022, the Company paid a cash underwriting discount of \$0.20 per Unit, or \$1,725,000. In addition, the underwriters were entitled to a deferred fee of \$0.35 per Unit, or \$3,018,750 in the aggregate. The deferred fee was payable to the underwriters from the amounts held in the Trust Account solely in the event that the Company completes a Business Combination, subject to the terms of the underwriting agreement.

On December 18, 2023, the Company entered into a Satisfaction and Discharge of Indebtedness Agreement (the "Satisfaction Agreement") in connection with the Underwriting Agreement, dated January 31, 2022 (the "Underwriting Agreement"), with EF Hutton, LLC ("EF Hutton") (now known as D. Boral Capital LLC), in which, pursuant to that certain Underwriting Agreement, the Company was due to pay \$3,018,750 to EF Hutton as deferred underwriting commission (the "Deferred Underwriting Commission") upon the closing of the Business Combination. In lieu of the Company tendering the full amount of Deferred Underwriting Commission, the Company and EF Hutton entered into the Satisfaction Agreement, pursuant to which EF Hutton accepted a combination of \$325,000 in cash (the "Cash Payment") paid upon the closing of the Business Combination, 149,443 shares of the Company's common stock (the "Shares") and a \$1,184,375 promissory note (the "Promissory Note") as full satisfaction of the Deferred Underwriting Commission. Satisfaction and discharge of the Deferred Underwriting Commission depended on the Company's delivery of the Cash Payment, the Shares and the Promissory Note under the terms of the Satisfaction Agreement. Additionally, the Company has granted EF Hutton an irrevocable right of first refusal (the "ROFR") to act as the sole investment banker, sole book-runner, and/or sole placement agent, at EF Hutton's sole discretion, for each and every future public and private equity and debt offering, including all equity linked financing for a period commencing on the date of the satisfaction and ending twenty-four months after the closing of the business combination.

On January 3, 2025, the Company announced the pricing of its public offering of 3,162,500 shares of common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share and 1,250,000 pre-funded warrants to purchase shares of common stock (the "Pre-Funded Warrants"). These shares and the Pre-Funded Warrants were offered at a public offering price of \$0.40 per share and \$0.3999 per the Pre-Funded Warrant. The Pre-Funded Warrants are exercisable immediately upon issuance and have an exercise price of \$0.0001 per share. The gross proceeds to the Company from the offering were approximately \$1.76 million, before deducting placement agent fees and other offering expenses of approximately \$355,017.

The offering was conducted pursuant to the Company's registration statement on Form S-1, which was initially filed with the Commission on October 10, 2024, subsequently amended on October 23, 2024, December 4, 2024, and December 10, 2024, and declared effective on December 19, 2024. The offering closed on January 6, 2025.

D. Boral Capital LLC ("D. Boral Capital") was acting as the exclusive placement agent for the offering. Pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement, the Company has agreed to pay D. Boral Capital a cash fee equal to 7.5% of the gross proceeds from the offering, a non-accountable expense allowance equal to 1.0% of the gross proceeds, and reimbursement for legal and out-of-pocket expenses up to \$75,000.

## Purchases of Equity Securities by the issuer and affiliated purchasers

The Company did not repurchase any shares of the Company's common stock during 2024 and 2023.

## Item 6. [RESERVED]

#### Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

References to the "Company," "HWH International Inc.," "HWH," "our," "us" or "we" refer to HWH International Inc. and its subsidiaries. The following discussion and analysis of the Company's financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with the unaudited interim financial statements and the notes thereto contained elsewhere in this report. Certain information contained in the discussion and analysis set forth below includes forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties.

This Form 10-K contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. For this purpose, any statements contained in this Form 10-K that are not statements of historical fact including, without limitation, statements under "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" regarding the Company's financial position, business strategy and the plans and objectives of management for future operations, may be deemed to be forward-looking statements. Without limiting the foregoing, words such as "may", "will", "expect", "believe", "anticipate", "estimate" or "continue" or comparable terminology are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements by their nature involve substantial risks and uncertainties, and actual results may differ materially depending on a variety of factors, many of which are not within our control. These factors include by are not limited to economic conditions generally and in the industries in which we may participate; competition within our chosen industry, including competition from much larger competitors; technological advances and failure to successfully develop business relationships. Such forward-looking statements are based on the beliefs of management, as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, the Company's management. Actual results could differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors detailed in our filings with the SEC.

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto contained elsewhere in this Report. Certain information contained in the discussion and analysis set forth below includes forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties.

#### Overview

HWH International Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company" or "HWH") operate a food and beverage ("F&B") business in Singapore and South Korea. The F&B business operates four cafés, two of which are located in South Korea and two in Singapore, as well as an online healthy food store, serving customers in Singapore. The Company previously operated a membership model in which individuals paid an upfront membership fee to become members. As members, these individuals received discounted access to products and services offered by the Company's affiliates. The Company had approximately 9,811 members, primarily in South Korea. Currently, this membership business has been temporarily suspended, however the Company intends to resume this business following the ongoing restructuring of the membership model.

HWH International Inc. was originally incorporated in Delaware on October 20, 2021 under the name Alset Capital Acquisition Corp. The Company was formed for the purpose of effecting a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase, reorganization or similar business combination with one or more businesses (the "Business Combination"). The Company consummated the Business Combination on January 9, 2024 and changed its name from "Alset Capital Acquisition Corp." to "HWH International Inc." The Company is an early stage and emerging growth company and, as such, the Company is subject to all of the risks associated with early stage and emerging growth companies.

On September 9, 2022, the Company entered into an agreement and plan of merger (the "Merger Agreement") by and among the Company, HWH International Inc., a Nevada corporation (the "HWH Nevada" or "Target") and HWH Merger Sub Inc., a Nevada corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company ("Merger Sub"). The Company and Merger Sub are sometimes referred to collectively as the "ACAX Parties." Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, a Business Combination between the Company and the Target was effected through the merger of Merger Sub with and into HWH Nevada, with the Target surviving the merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Merger"). Upon the closing of the Merger (the "Closing") on January 9, 2024, the Company changed its name to "HWH International Inc." The board of directors of the Company (i) approved and declared advisable the Merger Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements (as defined in the Merger Agreement) and the transactions contemplated thereby and (ii) resolved to recommend approval of the Merger Agreement and related transactions by the stockholders of the Company.

The Target was owned and controlled by certain member officers and directors of the Company and its Sponsor. The Merger was consummated following the receipt of the required approval by the stockholders of the Company and the shareholders of the Target and the satisfaction of certain other customary closing conditions.

The total consideration paid at the Closing (the "Merger Consideration") by the Company to the Target's shareholders was \$125,000,000, and was payable in shares of the common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of the Company ("Company Common Stock"). The number of shares of the Company Common Stock paid to the shareholders of the Target as Merger Consideration was 12,500,000, with each share being valued at \$10.00.

Our newly acquired business started in South Korea with a single-level membership marketing model with limited products for sale. We registered the business on April 1, 2019, and we started selling founders package on July 1, 2019. While we had been profitable and growing, the COVID-19 pandemic had a material adverse effect on such growth and profits. Due to the decline in membership and revenue starting in 2020, we reorganized our internal staff by adding a broader team in each of the United States, Hong Kong and Singapore with direct selling and business development experience to head up and expand our operations across various geographies and revised our business plan to a tiered membership model in 2022, with more products and services to be made available to our members. We created a new corporate structure, with subsidiaries in the U.S., Hong Kong and Singapore, that would allow for quick geographical expansion and turned our focus to the Hapi Café development.

We have 9,811 individuals with founding member status. This is a privileged class that will be able to enjoy continuous membership benefits in time to come, given that they have trusted the Company and joined at an early stage. Such benefits include the ability to purchase new memberships, in the model described below, at a favorable rate to be determined by the Company. They will also continue to be able to earn affiliate commissions as they sell our products in the marketplace and enjoy discounted rates when visiting Hapi Cafés until further notice. The total number of founding members was capped at 10,000. The Company is in the midst of implementing a new membership model that operates on a yearly subscription basis. While we are not currently selling memberships, we intend to resume membership sales under this new model.

Members will get exclusive discounts on Hapi Marketplace products, priority invites to product launch events and other parties, and can earn passive income when a member's referral signs up for membership or makes an initial purchase of Hapi Marketplace products through them.

Our operations include:

Hapi Marketplace. On November 4, 2024, the Company announced the launch of its business-to-consumer marketplace, Hapi Marketplace. Hapi Marketplace features a selection of over forty-seven product categories including wellness, elderly care, auto accessories and more. Launching first in the United States, we intend for Hapi Marketplace to expand in the near future to South Korea and Hong Kong, followed by further expansion across Asia.

The various aspects of the Hapi Marketplace will be launched in phases in different regions, each with their own timeline, depending on the completion of logistical aspects for implementation (i.e., payment gateway systems, business licenses, banking set up, import licenses, managerial resources, etc.) We are expanding the product range into robotics for consumer and commercial markets.

Hapi Cafés, which are, and will be, in-person, location-based social experiences, offer members the opportunity to build a sense of community with likeminded customers who share a potential interest in our products. The cafes are designed to operate sustainably as standalone businesses. The cafes also seek to be an avenue to create awareness to and educate potential and existing members about the products and services of HWH, providing us with the chance to significantly increase our membership base as well as increase the amounts spent by our members on our affiliates' products and services. Each of our cafés is a "Hapi Café." We opened proof-of-concept Hapi Café locations in Seoul, the Republic of Korea and Singapore in May and July 2022, respectively, one more opened in Seoul, the Republic of Korea in May 2024. We plan to open additional Hapi Cafés as we beta test and further improve our business concept. We intend to grow our memberships as we grow the number of Hapi Cafés around the world. Hapi Cafes are positioned to be integral parts of HWH's business model. In June 2024, the Company's decision to close the café under Alset F&B (PLQ) Pte. Ltd. ("F&BPLQ") was driven by the unsustainable revenue it generated. We believe it is more strategic to refocus our efforts and resources on other business ventures that have greater growth potential.

Our travel business is in the planning stage as we are working with our affiliates to determine the market-by-market services. Through our travel business, we plan to offer exclusive access to unpublished rates and discounts on air travel, cruises, car rentals, hotels, and resorts for members.

Hapi Wealth Builder seeks to provide participants the opportunity to attend courses, workshops, and coaching sessions in person, fostering a collaborative learning environment for those dedicated to learning investment in equities and wealth-building strategies. The team has been diligently producing digital content for Hapi Wealth Builder and working to collaborate with the right partners to launch the program and make it available to members. Hapi Wealth Builder will leverage the wealth of knowledge and experience of its leaders to make wealth building accessible and effective for its members. Our unique community-centric approach will offer members tools for making informed financial decisions while creating pathways for sustained growth.

On October 31, 2024, we announced that the Company scheduled the launch of Hapi Wealth, a program dedicated to providing comprehensive education in equity investment and wealth-building strategies. We are targeting a rollout in selected regions later in 2025 as well.

To further support its mission, Hapi Wealth is opening its China headquarters, designed as a conducive environment for individuals to participate in tutorials and workshops. The hub will offer participants the opportunity to attend courses, workshops, and coaching sessions in person, fostering a collaborative learning environment for those dedicated to learning investment in equities and wealth-building strategies.

#### **Our Revenue Model**

Our total revenue for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 was \$1,253,577 and \$830,519, respectively. Our net loss for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 was \$2,606,504 and \$1,076,662, respectively.

We currently recognize revenue from food and beverage sales, sale of products, and memberships to customers. Sales of food and beverage accounted for approximately 100% and 98% of revenue in the years ended December 31, 2024, and 2023, respectively. Sales of memberships accounted for approximately 0% of revenue in the year ended December 31, 2024, and 2023, respectively. Sales of memberships accounted for approximately 0% of revenue in the year ended December 31, 2024, and 2023.

From a geographical perspective, we recognized 6% and 94% of our total revenue in the year ended on December 31, 2024, in South Korea and Singapore, respectively, and 8% and 92% in the year ended December 31, 2023, in South Korea and Singapore, respectively.

## Matters that May or Are Currently Affecting Our Business

In addition to the matters described above, the primary challenges and trends that could affect or are affecting our financial results include:

• Our ability to improve our revenue through cross-selling and revenue-sharing arrangements among our group of companies;

• Our ability to identify complementary businesses for acquisition, obtain additional financing for these acquisitions, if and when needed, and profitably integrate them into our existing operation;

• Our ability to attract competent and skilled technical and sales personnel for each of our businesses at acceptable compensation levels to manage our overhead; and

• Our ability to control our operating expenses as we expand each of our businesses and product and service offerings.

#### **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

## Basis of Presentation and Principles of Consolidation

The Company's consolidated financial statements and related notes include all the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries. They have been prepared in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"). All intercompany transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

#### Use of Estimates and Critical Accounting Estimates and Assumptions

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Significant estimates made by management include, but are not limited to, allowance for credit losses, recoverability and useful lives of property, plant and equipment, the valuation allowance of deferred taxes, contingencies, and equity compensation. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Revenue Recognition and Cost of Sales

*Product Sales:* The Company's performance obligation is to transfer ownership of its products to its members. The Company generally recognizes revenue when a product is delivered to its member. Revenue is recorded net of applicable taxes, allowances, refund or returns. The Company receives the net sales price in cash or through credit card payments at the point of sale.

If any member returns a product to the Company on a timely basis, they may obtain a replacement product from the Company for such returned product. Allowances for product and membership returns are provided at the time the sale is recorded. This accrual is based upon historical return rates for each country and the relevant return pattern, which reflects anticipated returns to be received over a period of up to 12 months following the original sale. Product and membership returns for the years ended December 31, 2024, and 2023 were approximately \$0 and \$1,184, respectively.

*Membership Fee:* The Company collects an annual membership fee from its members. The fee is fixed, paid in full at the time of joining the membership and is not refundable. The Company's performance obligation is to provide its members with the right to (a) purchase products from the Company, (b) access to certain back-office services, (c) receive commissions and (d) attend corporate events. The associated performance obligation is satisfied over time, generally over the term of the membership agreement, which is for a one-year period. The Company recognizes revenue from membership fee over the one-year period of membership.

Food and Beverage: The revenue received from food and beverage business in the years ended December 31, 2024, and 2023 was \$1,253,577 and \$817,761, respectively.

Cost of Revenue: Cost of revenue consists of cost of procuring finished goods from suppliers and related shipping and handling fees.

## **Results of Operations**

## Summary of Statements of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

		Years E December			
		2024		2023	
Revenue	\$	1,253,577	\$	830,519	
Cost of revenue		651,721		334,825	
Operating expenses		3,027,024		3,402,793	
Other expenses / (income)		181,336		(2,245,820)	
Provision for income taxes		-		415,383	
Net loss	\$	2,606,504	\$	1,076,662	
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#### Revenue

Revenue was \$1,253,577 and \$830,519 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Word of mouth, a social media presence, and the availability of meeting spaces are significant drivers of our revenue and revenue potential. Our revenue increased in 2024 due to increased customer base from the acquisition of Ketomei Pte. Limited in Singapore and new café under Hapi Café Korea Inc. in South Korea.

For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, our revenue was generated as per the following:

	Years Ended December 31,					
	2024		2023			
Membership Fee	\$	- \$	12,293			
Product Sales		-	465			
Food and Beverage	1,2	53,577	817,761			
Total	\$ 1,2	\$53,577 \$	830,519			

### Cost of revenue

Cost of revenue increased from \$334,825 in the year ended December 31, 2023 to \$651,721 in the year ended December 31, 2024. The increase is a result of the increase in sales of F&B business.

Sales commissions decreased from \$13,827 to \$0 in the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2024, respectively, due to decrease in sale of memberships.

The gross margin increased from \$495,694 to \$601,856 in the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2024, respectively. The increase of gross margin was caused by the increase of customer base in F&B revenue.

## **Operating expenses**

Operating expenses decreased from \$3,402,793 to \$3,027,024 in the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2024, respectively, due to general and administrative expenses decreased from \$2,908,895 to \$2,646,627 in the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2024, respectively. The decrease of general and administrative expenses in 2024 compared with 2023 was mostly caused by the decrease in professional fees paid in relation to pursuing Business Combination by the Company.

## Other income (expense)

In the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company had other expenses of \$181,336, compared to the other income of \$2,245,820 in the year ended December 31, 2023. This decrease is due to the decrease in interest income from \$2,029,414 to \$64,407, and unrealized loss on convertible note receivable – related party from unrealized profit of \$0 to unrealized loss of \$379,887 in the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2024, respectively.

## Net loss

In the year ended December 31, 2024 the Company had a net loss of \$2,606,504, compared to \$1,076,662 in the year ended December 31, 2023.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our cash has increased from \$1,159,201 as of December 31, 2023 to \$4,341,746 as of December 31, 2024. Our liabilities decreased from \$6,207,178 at December 31, 2023 to \$3,531,523 at December 31, 2024. Our total assets have decreased from \$23,710,684 as of December 31, 2023 to \$6,408,722 as of December 31, 2024.

The Company believes that the available cash in the Company's bank accounts, anticipated cash from operations, and financing availability from related parties are sufficient to fund our operations for at least the next 12 months. The Company's capital requirements for the planned expansion are based on, among other items, geographical specific property costs, team requirements, and marketing steps needed. Our expansion consists of plans to take over leases of existing Hapi Cafes we currently do not own, as we look to add more Hapi Cafes over the next two (2) years. There is no guarantee that we will be able to execute on our plans as laid out above.

On April 24, 2024, the Company entered into a Credit Facility Agreement (the "Agreement") with Alset Inc., a Texas corporation and the Company's indirect, majority stockholder, pursuant to which Alset Inc. has provided the Company a line of credit facility (the "Credit Facility") which provides a maximum, aggregate credit line of up to \$1,000,000. As of December 31, 2024, there are no outstanding amounts related to the Credit Facility, as the debt with Alset Inc. was converted to equity on September 24, 2024. This conversion is reflected under Advances from Related Parties in the cash flow statement. The remaining credit of \$700,000 is available for draw as on December 31, 2024.

Pursuant to the Agreement, the Company may request an advance (each, an "Advance") on the Credit Facility. Each advance shall bear a simple interest rate of three percent (3%) per annum. Each Advance and all accrued but unpaid interest shall be due and payable at the first (1st) anniversary of the effective date of the Agreement. HWH may at any time during the term of the Agreement prepay a portion or all amounts of its indebtedness without penalty. Each Advance shall not be secured by a lien or other encumbrance on any HWH assets, but shall be solely a general unsecured debt obligation of the Company.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared assuming the Company will continue as a going concern and do not contain any adjustments that might be required should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern.

The Company has obtained letters of financial support from Alset International Limited and Alset Inc., an indirect and direct owner of the Company, respectively. Alset International Limited and Alset Inc. committed to provide any additional funding required by the Company and would not demand repayment through twelve months from the issuance of these consolidated financial statements.

## Summary of Cash Flows for the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	Years Ended December 31,				
	2024			2023	
Net cash used in operating activities	\$	(1,659,999)	\$	(2,600,370)	
Net cash provided by investing activities	\$	20,452,029	\$	68,431,427	
Net cash used in financing activities	\$	(15,756,940)	\$	(67,463,957)	

## **Cash Flows from Operating Activities**

Net cash used in operating activities was \$1,659,999 in the year ended of December 31, 2024, as compared to net cash used in operating activities of \$2,600,370 in the same period of 2023. The increase of impairment loss on goodwill and unrealized loss on convertible note receivable – related party, which reflects the change in the value of the convertible note and was deducted from the net income, led to the decrease of cash used in operating activities in the year ended December 31, 2024.

#### **Cash Flows from Investing Activities**

Net cash provided by investing activities was \$20,452,029 in the year of December 31, 2024, as compared to net cash provided by investing activities of \$68,431,427 in the same period of 2023. In the year ended December 31, 2024 we paid \$30,394 for purchases of property and equipment, \$850,000 for convertible note receivable – related party, \$14,345 for investment in joint venture, \$21,102,871 cash was withdrawn from Trust Account for redemptions and \$243,897 cash withdrawn from Trust Account was available to the Company. In the year ended December 31, 2023 we paid \$14,574 for purchases of property and equipment, \$68,351,348 cash withdrawn was from Trust Account for redemptions, \$299,958 cash withdrawn from Trust Account was available to the Company and \$205,305 cash was deposited into Trust Account.

## **Cash Flows from Financing Activities**

Net cash used in financing activities was \$15,756,940 in the year ended December 31, 2024, compared to net cash used in financing activities of \$67,463,957 in the same period of 2023. In the year ended December 31, 2024 we received \$2,170,993 from a related party, and repaid \$21,102,872 of class A common stock. In the year ended December 31, 2023 we received \$526,323 from a related party, received \$205,305 from proceeds from extension loan and paid \$68,351,348 for repayment of class A common stock.



#### **Nasdaq Compliance**

On March 7, 2024, we received notice from Nasdaq Stock Market, LLC ("Nasdaq") indicating that, because the market value of our common stock had been below \$50,000,000 for the prior 37 consecutive business days, we no longer complied with the minimum market value of listed securities (the "MVLS") requirement for continued listing on the Nasdaq Global Market under Rule 5450(b)(2)(A) of Nasdaq Listing Rules.

Nasdaq's notice had no immediate effect on the listing of our common stock on the Nasdaq Global Market. Pursuant to Nasdaq Marketplace Rule 5810(c) (3)(C), we had been provided an initial compliance period of 180 calendar days, or until September 3, 2024, to regain compliance with the MVLS requirement. To regain compliance, the Company's MVLS was required to be at least \$50,000,000 or more for a minimum of ten consecutive business days prior to September 3, 2024. In that regard, on September 9, 2024, the Company received a notice from the Staff that the matter of the MVLS deficiency was to be considered at the Company's upcoming appeal with the Nasdaq Hearings Panel.

On February 22, 2024, the Nasdaq Staff (the "Staff") notified the Company that for the previous 30 consecutive trading days, the MVPHS had been below the minimum 15,000,000 required for continued listing as set forth in Listing Rule 5450(b)(2)(C) (the "Rule"). Therefore, in accordance with Marketplace Rule 5810(c)(3)(D), the Company was provided 180 calendar days, or until August 20, 2024, to regain compliance with the Rule. In that regard, on August 27, 2024, the Company received a notice from the Staff that the Company will be delisted from the Nasdaq Global Market, unless the Company requested an appeal of this determination by September 3, 2024.

The Company presented its compliance plan to the Panel at a hearing on October 15, 2024. On October 21, 2024, the Company received a notice from the Panel granting the Company an extension to phase down its securities to the Nasdaq Capital Market and demonstrate compliance with the market value of its publicly held shares (the "MVPHS") and Stockholders' Equity requirements as set forth in Nasdaq Listing Rules 5550(a)(5) and 5550(b)(1).

On September 4, 2024, the Company received written notice (the "Notice") from the Listing Qualifications Staff of Nasdaq notifying the Company that for the prior 30 consecutive business days prior to the date of the Notice, the Company's bid price was below the minimum \$1 required for continued listing on the Nasdaq Global Market pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5450(a)(1) (the "Bid Price Requirement"). In accordance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(A), Nasdaq provided the Company with 180 calendar days, or until March 3, 2025, (the "Compliance Date"), to regain compliance with the Bid Price Requirement.

On March 10, 2025, the Company received written notice (the "Compliance Notice") from Nasdaq informing the Company that it has regained compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2), which requires that companies listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market maintain a minimum bid price of \$1.00 per share. Nasdaq notified the Company in the Compliance Notice that, from February 24, 2025 to March 7, 2025, the closing bid price of the Company's common stock had been \$1.00 per share or greater and, accordingly, the Company had regained compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2) and that the matter was now closed. The Company is currently listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market.

On February 18, 2025, the Company filed a Certificate of Amendment to the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation with the Delaware Secretary of State to effect a 1-for-5 reverse stock split (the "Reverse Stock Split"). The Reverse Stock Split became effective as of market open on February 24, 2025.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

As of December 31, 2024, we did not have any long-term debt obligations, capital lease obligations, operating lease obligations, purchase obligations or long-term liabilities.

## Administrative Services Agreement

We agreed to pay Alset Management Group Inc. \$10,000 per month for office space, utilities and secretarial and administrative support services commencing on the date that our securities were first listed on the Nasdaq. Upon completion of the initial Business Combination, we ceased paying these monthly fees.

## **Underwriting Agreement**

On February 3, 2022, the Company paid a cash underwriting discount of \$0.20 per Unit, or \$1,725,000.

In addition, the underwriters, EF Hutton, LLC ("EF Hutton") (now known as D. Boral Capital LLC), were entitled to a deferred fee of \$0.35 per Unit, or \$3,018,750 in the aggregate, however, on December 18, 2023, the Company entered into a Satisfaction and Discharge of Indebtedness Agreement in connection with the Underwriting Agreement, under which in lieu of the Company tendering the full amount, the underwriters accepted a combination of \$325,000 in cash paid upon the closing of the Business Combination, 149,443 shares of the Company's common stock and a \$1,184,375 promissory note as full satisfaction. This agreement was effective at the closing of Business Combination on January 9, 2024. Additionally, the Company has granted EF Hutton an irrevocable right of first refusal (the "ROFR") to act as the sole investment banker, sole book-runner, and/or sole placement agent, at EF Hutton's sole discretion, for each and every future public and private equity and debt offering, including all equity linked financing for a period commencing on the date of the satisfaction and ending twenty-four (24) months after the closing of the Business Combination.

#### Merger Agreement

As previously disclosed, on August 1, 2023, the Company held the Special Meeting, at which the Company's stockholders considered and adopted, among other matters, a proposal to approve the Business Combination. On the Closing Date, the parties consummated the Business Combination pursuant to the terms of that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated September 9, 2022 (the "Merger Agreement"), by and among the Company, Merger Sub, and HWH Nevada.

Pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement, (and upon all other conditions pursuant to the Merger Agreement being satisfied or waived), on the Closing Date, (i) the Merger Agreement provided for the combination of HWH Nevada and Merger Sub under the Company, with HWH Nevada surviving as the Surviving Corporation (collectively, the "Merger"). At the consummation of the Merger, HWH Nevada survived as a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company; and (ii) the Company changed its name to "HWH International Inc."

The transaction has closed, as all closing conditions referenced in the Merger Agreement have either been met or waived by the parties. Certain closing conditions that have been waived by the parties, pursuant to the Merger Agreement include Section 8.1(i), which states "the aggregate cash available to the Company at the Closing from the Trust Account (after giving effect to the redemption of any shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock in connection with the Company's Proposals, but before giving effect to (i) the payment of the Outstanding Alset Transaction Expenses, and (ii) the payment of the Outstanding Company Transaction Expenses), shall equal or exceed Thirty Million dollars (\$30,000,000); and 8.1(j), which states "upon the closing, the Company shall not have redeemed shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock in the Offer in an amount that would cause the Company to have less than \$5,000,001 of net tangible assets (as determined in accordance with Rule 3a51-1(g)(1) under the Exchange Act)."

#### **Registration Rights Agreement**

On January 31, 2022 the Company, the Sponsor, and certain persons and entities holding securities of the Company entered into a Registration Rights Agreement (the "Registration Rights Agreement"). Pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement, the Company is obligated to register certain securities, including (i) all of the shares of the Company's common stock and warrants held by the Sponsor, and the Company's common stock issuable upon exercise of such warrants, and (ii) the shares of the Company's common stock and the Company's common stock underlying warrants that were issued in the Private Placement on January 31, 2022. The Company is obligated to (a) file a resale registration statement to register such securities within 15 business days after the closing of the Business Combination, and (b) use reasonable best efforts to cause such registration statement to be declared effective by the SEC within 60 business days after the closing of the Business Combination.

#### Lock-Up Agreements

In connection with the execution of the Merger Agreement, at the closing, each of the HWH Holders holding more than 5% of the HWH Common Stock and certain members of HWH's management team entered into a Lock-Up Agreement with the Company in substantially the form attached to the letter Agreement dated January 31, 2022 (the "Letter Agreement") (each, a "Lock-Up Agreement"). Under the Lock-Up Agreement, each such holder agreed not to, during the period commencing from the Closing and with respect to the shares of the Company's Common Stock to be received as part of the Merger Consideration by the HWH Holder (together with any securities paid as dividends or distributions with respect to such securities or into which such securities are exchanged or converted, the "Restricted Securities"), (A) ending on the earlier of nine months after the date of the Closing, the date on which the closing sale price of shares of the Company's Common Stock equals or exceeds \$12.00 per share (as adjusted for stock splits, stock dividends, reorganizations, recapitalizations and the like) for any 20 trading days within any 30 trading day period commencing at least 150 days after the Closing or (y) the date after the Closing on which the Company consummates a liquidation, merger, share exchange or other similar transaction with an unaffiliated third party that results in all of the Company's stockholders having the right to exchange their equity holdings in the Company for cash, securities or other property.

#### **Termination of Subscription Agreement**

On July 30, 2023, the Company entered into a Subscription Agreement (the "Subscription Agreement") with Meteora Special Opportunity Fund I, LP ("MSOF"), Meteora Capital Partners, LP ("MCP"), Meteora Select Trading Opportunities Master, LP ("MSTO") and Meteora Strategic Capital, LLC, ("MSC", and together with MSOF, MCP and MSTO, are referred to herein collectively as "Meteora"). The Subscription Agreement was subsequently terminated. The Company and Meteora entered into a Settlement Agreement as of April 11, 2024 (the "Settlement Agreement"). Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, the Company paid Meteora \$200,000, and agreed that Meteora could retain \$100,000 already paid to Meteora.

#### **Impact of Inflation**

We believe that inflation has not had a material impact on our results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2024 or December 31, 2023. We cannot assure you that future inflation will not have an adverse impact on our operating results and financial condition.

#### **Impact of Foreign Exchange Rates**

The effects of foreign exchange rate changes on the intercompany loans (under ASC 830), which mostly consist of loans from Singapore to South Korea and which were approximately \$0.9 million and \$2.1 million on December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, are the reason for the fluctuation in foreign currency transaction gains or losses which are included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Other Comprehensive Income. Because the intercompany loan balances between Singapore and South Korea will remain at approximately \$1 million over the next year, we expect this fluctuation of foreign exchange rates to still impact the results of operations in 2025, especially given that the foreign exchange rate may and is expected to be volatile. If the amount of intercompany loan is lowered in the future, the effect will also be reduced. However, at this moment, we do not expect to repay the intercompany loans in the short term.

#### **Emerging Growth Company Status**

We are an "emerging growth company," as defined in the JOBS Act, and we may take advantage of certain exemptions from various reporting requirements that are applicable to other public companies that are not "emerging growth companies." Section 107 of the JOBS Act provides that an "emerging growth company" can take advantage of the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act for complying with new or revised accounting standards. In other words, an "emerging growth company" can delay the adoption of certain accounting standards until those standards would otherwise apply to private companies. We have elected to take advantage of these exemptions until we are no longer an emerging growth company or until we affirmatively and irrevocably opt out of this exemption.

#### **Controls and Procedures**

We are not currently required to maintain an effective system of internal controls as defined by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. Only in the event that we are deemed to be a large accelerated filer or an accelerated filer would we be required to comply with the independent registered public accounting firm attestation requirement. Further, for as long as we remain an emerging growth company as defined in the JOBS Act, we intend to take advantage of certain exemptions from various reporting requirements that are applicable to other public companies that are not emerging growth companies including, but not limited to, not being required to comply with the independent registered public accounting firm attestation requirement.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements included in this prospectus. The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and reflect management's judgment and estimates concerning effects of events and transactions that are accounted for or disclosed.

Management is also responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. Our internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that pertain to our ability to record, process, summarize and report reliable data. Management recognizes that there are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of any internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of internal control. Accordingly, even effective internal control over financial reporting can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement presentation. Further, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting may vary over time.

In order to ensure that our internal control over financial reporting is effective, management regularly assesses controls and did so most recently for its financial reporting as of December 31, 2024. This assessment was based on criteria for effective internal control over financial reporting described in the Internal Control Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations (COSO) of the Treadway Commission. In connection with management's evaluation of the effectiveness of our Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2024, management determined that our Company did not maintain effective controls over financial reporting due to having a limited staff with U.S. GAAP and SEC reporting experience. Management determined that the ineffective controls over financial reporting constitute a material weakness. To remediate such weaknesses, we plan to appoint additional qualified personnel with financial accounting, U.S. GAAP and SEC experience.

This prospectus does not include an attestation report of our registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by our registered public accounting firm pursuant to temporary rules of the SEC that permit us to provide only management's report in this prospectus.

## Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

We are a smaller reporting company as defined by Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act and are not required to provide the information otherwise required under this item.

# Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

# HWH INTERNATIONAL INC. (Formerly known as Alset Capital Acquisition Corp.) CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS December 31, 2024 and 2023

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#### **REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of HWH International Inc. and Subsidiaries Bethesda, Maryland

#### **Opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of HWH International Inc. and Subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive loss, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years then ended, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the consolidated financial statements). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Basis for Opinion**

These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

## **Emphasis of Matter**

The Company has significant transactions with related parties which are described in Notes 8, 11, 12, 13, and 21 of the consolidated financial statements. Transactions involving related parties cannot be presumed to be carried out on an arm's length basis, as the requisite condition of competitive, free market dealings may not exist.

Grassi & Co, CPAs, P.C.

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We have served as the Company's auditor since 2022. Jericho, New York March 31, 2025

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## HWH INTERNATIONAL INC. (Formerly known as Alset Capital Acquisition Corp.) CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	Decen	ıber 31, 2024	Dece	mber 31, 2023 (recast)
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Cash	\$	4,341,746	\$	1,159,201
Account receivable, net		17,546		28,611
Inventory		1,574		1,977
Other receivables, net		342,712		41,203
Convertible loans receivable - related party, at fair value Investment security – related party		744,652 13,272		-
Prepaid expenses		13,272		106,862
Total Current Assets	\$	5,474,997	\$	1,337,854
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Non-Current Assets				
Property and equipment, net	\$	33,588	\$	129,230
Cash and marketable securities held in Trust Account		,	•	21,346,768
Deposits		351,240		298,324
Investment at cost		140		-
Operating lease right-of-use assets, net		548,757		598,508
Total Non-Current Assets	\$	933,725	\$	22,372,830
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	6,408,722	\$	23,710,684
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	483,430	\$	167,355
Accrued commissions	Ŧ	73,022	*	85,206
Due to related parties, net		1,191,960		2,323,800
Operating lease liabilities - current		340,651		429,687
Deferred underwriting fee payable		-		3,018,750
Notes payable - current		1,222,211		-
Total Current Liabilities	\$	3,311,274	\$	6,024,798
Non-Current Liabilities				
Operating lease liabilities - non-current	\$	220,249	\$	182,380
Total Non-Current Liabilities	\$	220,249	\$	182,380
Commitments and Contingencies (Note 15)				
Temporary equity:				
Class A common stock subject to possible redemption; 395,207 shares (at approximately \$53.40				
per share) as of December 31, 2023*	\$	-	\$	21,102,871
Stockholders' Equity				
Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value; 1,000,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding as				
of December 31, 2024 and 2023		-		-
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value; 50,000,000 shares authorized; 5,593,920 and 2,000 issued and				
outstanding as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively*		559		-
Class A common stock, \$0.0001 par value; 50,000,000 shares authorized; 0 and 94,750 issued and				0
outstanding as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively*		-		9
Class B common stock, \$0.0001 par value; 50,000,000 shares authorized; 0 and 431,250 issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively*		-		43
Additional paid in capital		9,339,413		155,984
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(416,861)		(197,051)
Accumulated deficit		(6,157,747)		(3,567,016)
Total HWH International Inc. Stockholders' equity (deficit)	\$	2,765,364	\$	(3,608,031)
Non-controlling interests		111,835		8,666
Total Stockholders' Equity (Deficit)		2,877,199		(3,599,365)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	6,408,722	\$	23,710,684

\*The common stock share amounts were adjusted retrospectively to reflect the 5-for-1 reverse stock split on February 24, 2025

## HWH INTERNATIONAL INC. (Formerly known as Alset Capital Acquisition Corp.) CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

				Year Ende December 31,			Year Ended ember 31, 2023 (recast)
Revenue							
- Membership				\$	-	\$	12,293
- Non-membership Total Revenue					,253,577 , <b>253,577</b>	\$	818,226 830,519
				<u> </u>	,	<del>\</del>	
Cost of revenue				¢		¢	(12.927)
- Membership - Non-membership				\$	- (651,721)	\$	(13,827) (320,998)
Total Cost of revenue					(651,721)	\$	(334,825)
<b>a</b>						-	
Gross profit				\$	601,856	\$	495,694
<b>Operating expenses:</b>							
General and administrative exp Impairment of convertible note		rty and aquity mathad	invoctment related	\$ (2	,646,627)	\$	(2,908,895)
party	receivable – related pa	ity, and equity method	investment - related		(42,328)		(493,898)
Impairment loss on goodwill					(323,864)		-
Impairment of investment in Jo	int Venture				(14,205)		-
Total Operating expenses				<u>\$ (3</u>	,027,024)	\$	(3,402,793)
Other income (expense)							
Other income				\$	345,997	\$	2,210,921
Interest expense Foreign exchange transaction (l	loss) min				(72,076) (55,221)		- 68,797
Loss on equity method investm					(33,221) (20,149)		(33,898)
Unrealized loss on convertible		d party			(379,887)		-
Total Other (expense) income	;			\$	(181,336)	\$	2,245,820
Loss before provision for inco	ome taxes			(2	,606,504)		(661,279)
Provision for income taxes							(415,383)
Net loss				\$ (2	,606,504)	\$	(1,076,662)
Less: Net (loss) income attribut	table to non-controlling	Interests			(15,773)		3,830
Net loss attributable to comm	on stockholders			\$ (2	,590,731)	\$	(1,080,492)
Net Loss Other comprehensive (lose) in	norma not of tax.			(2	,606,504)		(1,076,662)
Other comprehensive (loss) in Foreign currency translation ad				\$	(219,898)	\$	(49,045)
Total comprehensive (loss), no	•				,826,402)	\$	(1,125,707)
Less Comprehensive (loss) inco	ome attributable to non-	controlling interests			(15,861)		3,830
Total Comprehensive loss attr	ributable to common s	tockholders		\$ (2	,810,541)	\$	(1,129,537)
	Year Ended December 31, 2024				Ended Dec	ember 31	, 2023
		Class A common	Class B common		Class A c		Class B common
T	Common stock	stock	stock	Common stock	sto	ck	stock
Loss per common share Basic	\$ (0.72)	\$ (0.72)	\$ (0.72)	\$ (2.05)	\$	(2.05)	\$ (2.05)
Diluted	\$ (0.72) \$ (0.72)					(2.05) $(2.05)$	
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding*							

\*The numbers of weighted average outstanding common stock - basic and diluted were adjusted retrospectively to reflect the 5-for-1 reverse stock split on February 24, 2025

9,426

9,426

2,000

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94,750

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2,071

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common shares outstanding\*

3,595,124

3,595,124

Basic

Diluted

# HWH INTERNATIONAL INC. (Formerly known as Alset Capital Acquisition Corp.) CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023 (RECAST)

		ss A on stock	Class B C sto		Commor	n Stock		Accumulated		Total HWH		
	Shares	Par Value \$0.0001	Shares	Par Value \$0.0001	Shares	Par Value \$0.0001	Additional Paid in Capital	Other Comprehensive (Loss)	Accumulated Deficit	International Inc. Stockholders' deficit	Non- controlling interests	Total Stockholders' deficit
Balances at December 31, 2022	94,750	<u>\$9</u>	431,250	<u>\$ 43</u>	2,000	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 221</u>	<u>\$ (148,006)</u>	<u>\$ (1,235,959)</u>	<u>\$ (1,383,692)</u>	\$ 4,836	<u>\$ (1,378,856)</u>
Remeasurement of Class A common stock to redemption	;											
value Contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ (1,045,260	\$ (1,045,260)	-	\$ (1,045,260)
from Majority Stockholder Extension Loan	-	-	-	-	-	-	155,763	-	\$ (205,305)	155,763 \$ (205,305)	-	155,763 \$ (205,305)
Net (loss) income Foreign	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ (1,080,492)	\$ (1,080,492)	\$ 3,830	\$ (1,076,662)
currency translation adjustment	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	\$ (49,045)	· -	\$ (49,045)		\$ (49,045)
Balances at								<u> </u>	·	<u> </u>		<u>\$ (17,013</u> )
December 31, 2023	94,750	<u>\$9</u>	431,250	<u>\$ 43</u>	2,000	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 155,984</u>	<u>\$ (197,051)</u>	\$ (3,567,016)	\$ (3,608,031)	\$ 8,666	<u>\$ (3,599,365)</u>
Issuance of Common Stock to EF Hutton for Deferred Underwriting												
Compensation Issuance of Common Stock	-	-	-	-	29,889	\$ 3	\$1,509,387	-	-	\$ 1,509,390	-	\$ 1,509,390
during Merger Issuance of	-	-	-	-	2,686,772	\$ 269	\$ (294)	-	-	\$ (25)	-	\$ (25)
Common Stock to AI Convert Common Stock	-	-	-	-	1,142,352	\$ 114	\$3,584,886	-	-	\$ 3,585,000	-	\$ 3,585,000
Class A and B to Common Stock	(94,750)	)\$ (9)	(431,250)	\$ (43)	526,000	\$ 52	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluation for SHRG note receivable and											<b>^</b>	<b>•</b> •••••••
warrants Change in Non- Controlling Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 287,812	-	-	\$ 287,812	\$	\$ 287,812
Ketomei AI and AIL Debt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- 1	\$ 119,030	\$ 119,030
conversion to shares Net loss Foreign currency	-	-	-	-	1,206,907	121	\$3,801,638	-		\$ 3,801,759 \$ (2,590,731)		\$ 3,801,759 \$ (2,606,504)
translation adjustment								\$ (219,810)		\$ (219,810)	\$ (88)	<u>\$ (219,898)</u>
Balances at December 31, 2024	-	-	-		5,593,920		\$9,339,413	\$ (416,861) e consolidated fi		\$ 2,765,364	\$ 111,835	\$ 2,877,199

# HWH INTERNATIONAL INC. (Formerly known as Alset Capital Acquisition Corp.) CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Cash flows from operating activities:       \$         Net loss       \$         Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:       Interest income         Foreign exchange transaction loss (gain)       Loss on equity method investment - related party         Depreciation expense       Non-cash lease expense         Non-cash lease expense       Inventory write off expenses         Impairment of convertible note receivable – related party, and equity method investment - related party         Impairment loss on goodwill         Impairment in investment in Joint Venture         Unrealized loss on convertible note receivable – related party         Loss on disposal of equipment         Impairment loss on equipment         Bad debt written off         Changes in operating assets and liabilities:         Account receivables	(2,606,504) 55,221 20,149 48,172 490,122 42,328 323,864 14,205 379,887 5,878 69,293 11,177	S	(1,076,662) (2,023,638) (68,797) 33,898 58,006 509,340 30,752 493,898
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Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	11,177		-
			-
1 recount receivables	5,384		187,813
Other receivables	(299,525)		(375,745)
Prepaid expenses	90,398		(93,263)
	,		
Deposit	(71,147)		1,008
Inventory	336		184
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	228,644		306,299
Accrued commissions	(1,904)		(54,247)
Deferred revenue	-		(21,198)
Operating lease liabilities	(465,977)		(508,018)
Net cash used in operating activities \$	(1,659,999)	\$	(2,600,370)
	· · · · ·		· · · · · ·
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchases of property and equipment \$	(30,394)	\$	(14,574)
Convertible loans receivable - related party	(850,000)	Ψ	(1,,0,7,1)
Investment at cost	(14,345)		
Cash withdrawn from Trust Account for redemptions	21,102,871		299,958
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Cash withdrawn from Trust Account available to the Company	243,897		68,351,348
Cash deposited into Trust Account			(205,305)
Net cash provided by investing activities	20,452,029	\$	68,431,427
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Repayment of loans and borrowing \$	(85,061)	\$	-
Repayment of deferred underwriting compensation	(325,000)		-
Contribution from Majority Stockholder	-		155,763
Proceeds from extension loan	-		205,305
Advances from related parties	2,170,993		526,323
Borrowing from notes payable - related parties	-		33,475
Repayment to notes payable - related parties	-		(33,475)
Proceed of issuance of Class A Common Stock	3,585,000		(55,175)
Repayment of Class A Common Stock			(68,351,348)
	(21,102,872)	0	
Net cash used in financing activities	(15,756,940)	\$	(67,463,957)
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Net increase (decrease) in cash \$	3,035,090	\$	(1,632,900)
Effects of foreign exchange rate on cash	147,455		2,307
Cash at beginning of year	1,159,201		2,789,794
Cash at end of year \$	4,341,746	\$	1,159,201
Supplemental Cash Flow Information			
Cash Paid for Interest \$	616	\$	-
Cash Paid for Taxes \$	-	\$	-
Supplemental disclosure of non-cash investing and financing activities			
Issuance of HWH common stock to EF Hutton for deferred underwriting compensation \$	1,509,375	\$	-
Settlement of deferred underwriting compensation payable with promissory note \$	1,184,375	\$	-
Debt to equity conversion \$	3,801,759	\$	-
Valuation gain from notes receivable and warrants - SHRG \$	287,812	\$	-
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Initial recognition of operating lease right-of-use asset and liability \$	519,353	\$	125,331



## HWH INTERNATIONAL INC. (Formerly known as Alset Capital Acquisition Corp.) NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

## NOTE 1 — DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION, BUSINESS OPERATIONS AND LIQUIDITY

HWH International Inc. ("HWH") and its consolidated subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company") operate a food and beverage ("F&B") business in Singapore and South Korea. The F&B business operates four cafés, two of which are located in South Korea and two in Singapore, as well as an online healthy food store serving customers in Singapore. The Company previously operated a membership model in which individuals paid an upfront membership fee to become members. As members, these individuals received discounted access to products and services offered by the Company's affiliates. The Company had approximately 9,811 members, primarily in South Korea. Currently, this membership business has been temporarily suspended, however the Company intends to resume this business following the ongoing restructuring of the membership model.

HWH International Inc. was originally incorporated in Delaware on October 20, 2021 under the name Alset Capital Acquisition Corp. The Company was formed for the purpose of effecting a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase, reorganization or similar business combination with one or more businesses (the "Business Combination"). The Company consummated the Business Combination on January 9, 2024 and changed its name from "Alset Capital Acquisition Corp." to "HWH International Inc." The Company is an early stage and emerging growth company and, as such, the Company is subject to all of the risks associated with early stage and emerging growth companies.

On September 9, 2022, the Company entered into an agreement and plan of merger (the "Merger Agreement") by and among the Company, HWH International Inc., a Nevada corporation (the "HWH Nevada" or "Target") and HWH Merger Sub Inc., a Nevada corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company ("Merger Sub"). The Company and Merger Sub are sometimes referred to collectively as the "ACAX Parties." Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, the Business Combination between the Company and the Target was effected through the merger of Merger Sub with and into HWH Nevada, with the Target surviving the merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Merger"). Upon the closing of the Merger (the "Closing") on January 9, 2024, the Company changed its name to "HWH International Inc." The board of directors of the Company (i) approved and declared advisable the Merger Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements (as defined in the Merger Agreement) and the transactions contemplated thereby and (ii) resolved to recommend approval of the Merger Agreement and related transactions by the stockholders of the Company.

The Target was owned and controlled by certain member officers and directors of the Company and its Sponsor. The Merger was consummated following the receipt of the required approval by the stockholders of the Company and the shareholders of the Target and the satisfaction of certain other customary closing conditions.

The total consideration paid at Closing (the "Merger Consideration") by the Company to the Target's shareholders was \$125,000,000, and was payable in shares of the common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of the Company ("Company Common Stock"). The number of shares of the Company Common Stock paid to the shareholders of the Target as Merger Consideration was 12,500,000, with each share being valued at \$10.00.

Our newly acquired business started in South Korea with a single-level membership marketing model with limited products for sale. We registered the business on April 1, 2019, and we started selling founders package on July 1, 2019. While we had been profitable and growing, the COVID-19 pandemic had a material adverse effect on such growth and profits. Due to the decline in membership and revenue starting in 2020, we reorganized our internal staff by adding a broader team in each of the United States, Hong Kong and Singapore with direct selling and business development experience to head up and expand our operations across various geographies and revised our business plan to a tiered membership model in 2022, with more products and services to be made available to our members. We created a new corporate structure, with subsidiaries in the U.S., Hong Kong and Singapore, that would allow for quick geographical expansion and we turned our focus to the Hapi Café development.

We have 9,811 individuals with founding member status. This is a privileged class that will be able to enjoy continuous membership benefits in time to come, given that they have trusted the Company and joined at an early stage. Such benefits include the ability to purchase new memberships, in the model described below, at a favorable rate to be determined by the Company. They will also continue to be able to earn affiliate commissions as they sell our products in the marketplace and enjoy discounted rates when visiting Hapi Cafés until further notice. The total number of founding members was capped at 10,000. The Company is in the midst of implementing a new membership model that operates on a yearly subscription basis. While we are not currently selling memberships, we intend to resume membership sales under this new model.

Members will get exclusive discounts on Hapi Marketplace products, priority invites to product launch events and other parties, and can earn passive income when a member's referral signs up for membership or makes an initial purchase of Hapi Marketplace products through them.

#### Our operations include:

Hapi Marketplace. On November 4, 2024, the Company announced the launch of its business-to-consumer marketplace, Hapi Marketplace. Hapi Marketplace features a selection of over forty-seven product categories including wellness, elderly care, auto accessories and more. Launching first in the United States, we intend for Hapi Marketplace to expand in the near future to South Korea and Hong Kong, followed by further expansion across Asia.

The various aspects of the Hapi Marketplace will be launched in phases in different regions, each with their own timeline, depending on the completion of logistical aspects for implementation (i.e., payment gateway systems, business licenses, banking set up, import licenses, managerial resources, etc.) We are expanding the product range into robotics for consumer and commercial markets.

*Hapi Cafés,* which are, and will be, in-person, location-based social experiences, offer members the opportunity to build a sense of community with likeminded customers who share a potential interest in our products. The cafes are designed to operate sustainably as standalone businesses. The cafes also seek to be an avenue to create awareness to and educate potential and existing members about the products and services of HWH, providing us with the chance to significantly increase our membership base as well as increase the amounts spent by our members on our affiliates' products and services. Each of our cafés is a "Hapi Café." We opened proof-of-concept Hapi Café locations in Seoul, the Republic of Korea and Singapore in May and July 2022, respectively, one more opened in Seoul, the Republic of Korea in May 2024, and we plan to open additional Hapi Cafés as we beta test and further improve our business concept. We intend to grow our memberships as we grow the number of Hapi Cafés around the world. Hapi Café is positioned to be an integral part of HWH's business model. In June 2024, the Company's decision to close the café under Alset F&B (PLQ) Pte. Ltd. ("F&BPLQ") was driven by the unsustainable revenue it generated. We believe it is more strategic to refocus our efforts and resources on other business ventures that have greater growth potential.

We have made a minority investment into a travel agency with a HK, China and Malaysia presence. The focus is primarily on educational tours for China's primary and secondary school students visiting attractions and tours in China and overseas. We also conduct business for hotel booking offers to a hotel booking platform as well as organizing tour conferences for groups and communities. The Company shall continue develop consumer traveling services and hotel booking services in Asia.

Hapi Wealth Builder seeks to provide participants the opportunity to attend courses, workshops, and coaching sessions in person, fostering a collaborative learning environment for those dedicated to learning about investment in equities and wealth-building strategies. The team has been diligently producing digital content for Hapi Wealth Builder and working to collaborate with the right partners to launch the program and make it available to members. Hapi Wealth will leverage the wealth of knowledge and experience of its leaders to make wealth building accessible and effective for its members. Our unique community-centric approach will offer members tools for making informed financial decisions while creating pathways for sustained growth.

On October 31, 2024, we announced that the Company scheduled the launch of Hapi Wealth, a program dedicated to providing comprehensive education in equity investment and wealth-building strategies. We are targeting a rollout in selected regions later in 2025 as well.

To further support its mission, Hapi Wealth is opening its China headquarters, designed as a conducive environment for individuals to participate in tutorials and workshops. The hub will offer participants the opportunity to attend courses, workshops, and coaching sessions in person, fostering a collaborative learning environment for those dedicated to learning about investment in equities and wealth-building strategies.

## NOTE 2 — SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

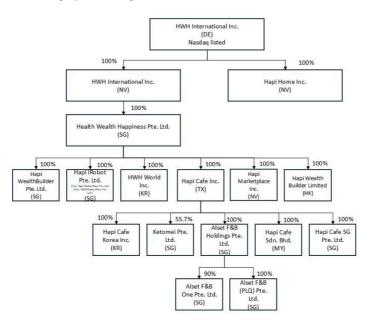
## **Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements are presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") and pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Through November 30, 2023, HWH (then known as Alset Capital Acquisition Corp.) reported on a twelve-month fiscal year that ended on November 30. In connection with the Business Combination, the Company's fiscal year end was changed from November 30 to December 31. As a result of this change, the Company had a one-month transition period that began on December 1, 2023 and ended on December 31, 2023. For details see note 22 - *Change in Fiscal Year*.

#### **Principles of Consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries. All significant intercompany transactions and balances between the Company and its subsidiaries are eliminated upon consolidation. The Company consolidates entities in which it owns more than 50% of the voting common stock and controls operations. All intercompany transactions and balances among consolidated subsidiaries have been eliminated.

The following chart describes the Company's ownership of various subsidiaries:



The Company mainly focuses on the F&B business. During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, substantially all of the Company's business was generated by its wholly owned subsidiaries, 0% and 2% from HWH World Inc. ("HWH Korea"), respectively, and 100% and 98% from F&B business, respectively. F&B business was generated by the following subsidiaries at December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively: 37% and 49% from Alset F&B One Pte. Ltd ("F&B1"), 6% and 6% from Hapi Café Korea Inc.("HCKI"), 20% and 22% from Hapi Café SG Pte. Ltd. ("HCSGPL"), 7% and 21% from Alset F&B (PLQ) Pte. Ltd. ("F&BPLQ") and 30% and 0% from Ketomei Pte. Ltd. ("KPL"). HWH Korea was incorporated in the Republic of Korea ("South Korea") on May 7, 2019. HWH Korea is in the business of sourcing and distributing dietary supplements and other health products through its network of members in South Korea. HWH Korea generates product sales via its direct sale model as products are sold to its members. Through the use of a Hapi Gig platform that combines e-commerce, social media, and a customized rewards system, HWH Korea equips, trains, and empowers its members. F&B1 was incorporated in Singapore on April 10, 2017, HCSGPL was incorporated in Singapore on April 4, 2022, F&BPLQ was incorporated in Singapore. In the second quarter of 2024, the Company ceased operations of its subsidiary Alset F&B (PLQ) Pte. Ltd. Due to the closure of this subsidiary, the Company wrote off \$5,878 of fixed assets, which is included in general and administrative expenses, and recorded a gain on termination of lease of \$248, which is included in other income on the Company's Statement of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2024.

## **Emerging Growth Company**

The Company is an "emerging growth company," as defined in Section 2(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), as modified by the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012, as amended (the "JOBS Act"), and it may take advantage of certain exemptions from various reporting requirements that are applicable to other public companies that are not emerging growth companies including, but not limited to, not being required to comply with the independent registered public accounting firm attestation requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in its periodic reports and proxy statements, and exemptions from the requirements of holding a nonbinding advisory vote on executive compensation and stockholder approval of any golden parachute payments not previously approved.

Further, Section 102(b)(1) of the JOBS Act exempts emerging growth companies from being required to comply with new or revised financial accounting standards until private companies (that is, those that have not had a Securities Act registration statement declared effective or do not have a class of securities registered under the Exchange Act) are required to comply with the new or revised financial accounting standards. The JOBS Act provides that a company can elect to opt out of the extended transition period and comply with the requirements that apply to non-emerging growth companies but any such election to opt out is irrevocable. The Company has elected not to opt out of such extended transition period which means that when a standard is issued or revised and it has different application dates for public or private companies, the Company, as an emerging growth company, can adopt the new or revised standard. This may make comparison of the Company's financial statements with another public company which is neither an emerging growth company nor an emerging growth company which has opted out of using the extended transition period difficult or impossible because of the potential differences in accounting standards used.

#### Functional and Reporting Currency

The functional and reporting currency of the Company is the United States dollar ("\$"). The financial records of the Company's subsidiaries located in South Korea, Singapore, Hong Kong, and Malaysia are maintained in their local currencies, the Korean Won (\$), Singapore Dollar (S\$), Hong Kong Dollar (HK\$) and Malaysian Ringgit (MYR), which are also the functional currencies of these entities.

## Use of Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires the Company's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the balance sheet.

Making estimates requires management to exercise significant judgment. It is at least reasonably possible that the estimate of the effect of a condition, situation or set of circumstances that existed at the date of the balance sheet, which management considered in formulating its estimate, could change in the near term due to one or more future confirming events. Accordingly, the actual results could differ significantly from those estimates.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. The Company had cash of \$4,341,746 and \$1,159,201 as of December 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. The Company had no cash equivalents as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

## Investments Held in Trust Account

At December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company had approximately \$0 and \$21 million, respectively, in investments in treasury securities held in the Trust Account. In connection with the closing of the Business Combination on January 9, 2024, Class A Common Stock stockholders redeemed 1,942,108 shares for approximately \$21 million held in the Trust Account. The Trust Account was closed in May 2024. The funds in Trust Account were valued at Level 1 observable input.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company adopted Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 820, "Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures", for assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis. ASC 820 defines fair value as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. ASC 820 also establishes a fair value hierarchy, which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. ASC 820 describes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

Level 1: Observable inputs such as quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities

Level 2: Observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for which there is little or no market data, which require the use of the reporting entity's own assumptions

For purpose of this disclosure, the fair value of a financial instrument is the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced sale or liquidation. The carrying values reported in balance sheets for current assets and liabilities approximate their estimated fair market values based on the short-term maturity of these instruments.

#### **Investment Securities at Cost**

Investments in equity securities without readily determinable fair values are measured at cost minus impairment adjusted by observable price changes in orderly transactions for the identical or similar investments of the same issuer. These investments are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis when there are events or changes in circumstances that may have a significant adverse effect. An impairment loss, which is recognized in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income, equals the amount by which the carrying value exceeds the fair value of the investment.

## Inventory

Inventory is stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out method and includes all costs in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Net realizable value is an estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs necessary to make the sale. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, inventory consisted of finished goods procured from suppliers. The Company continuously evaluates the need for reserve for obsolescence and possible price concessions required to write-down inventory to its net realizable value.

#### Leases

The Company follows FASB ASC Topic 842 in accounting for its operating lease right-of-use assets and operating lease liabilities. At inception of a contract, the Company assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is or contains a lease if it conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange of a consideration. To assess whether a contract is or contains a lease, the Company assesses whether the contract involves the use of an identified asset, whether it has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from the use of the asset and whether it has the right to control the use of the asset. The right-of-use assets and related lease liabilities are recognized at the lease commencement date. The Company recognizes operating lease expenses on a straight-line basis over the lease term. For leases that contain related non-lease components, such as maintenance, the Company will account for these payments as a single lease component.

## Right-of-use of Assets

The right-of-use of asset is measured at cost, which comprises the amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and less any lease incentive received.

#### Lease liabilities

Lease liability is measured at the present value of the outstanding lease payments at the commencement date, discounted using the Company's incremental borrowing rate. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise mainly of fixed lease payments.

### Short-term Leases and Leases of Low Value Assets

The Company has elected to not recognize right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less at inception and leases of low value assets. Lease payments associated with these leases are expensed as incurred.

## Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost, less depreciation. Repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Expenditures incurred as a consequence of acquiring or using the asset, or that increase the value or productive capacity of assets are capitalized. When property and equipment is retired, sold, or otherwise disposed of, the asset's carrying amount and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any gain or loss is included in statement of operations. Depreciation is computed by the reducing balance method (after considering their respective estimated residual values) over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets as follows:

Office Equipment	3-5 years
Furniture and Fittings	3-5 years
Kitchen Equipment	3-5 years
Operating Equipment	3-5 years
Leasehold Improvements	Shorter of lease life or asset life

The Company reviews the carrying value of property and equipment for impairment whenever events and circumstances indicate that the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable from the estimated future cash flows expected to result from its use and eventual disposition. In cases where undiscounted expected future cash flows are less than the carrying value, an impairment loss is recognized, equaling an amount by which the carrying value exceeds the fair value of assets. The factors considered by management in performing this assessment include current operating results, trends, and prospects, as well as the effects of obsolescence, demand, competition, and other economic factors.

As at December 31, 2024, the Company has determined the value-in-use to be zero based on the discounted cash flow of the cash generating unit ("CGU"), which involves the cash flow projections covering a 3-year period and the fair value less cost of disposal to be zero considering the re-sale value of these assets to be insignificant. Based on the assessment, the recoverable amount of the CGU was determined to be zero, which was below the carrying amount of these non-financial assets. Accordingly, impairment losses on plant and equipment of \$69,293 are recognized in general and administrative expenses in the consolidated statement of operations and other comprehensive loss for the financial year ended December 31, 2024.

## Deposit

Deposit represents rental deposit paid for the office and the cafes used.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

ASC 606 - Revenue from Contracts with Customers ("ASC 606"), establishes principles for reporting information about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from the entity's contracts to provide goods or services to customers.

In accordance with ASC 606, revenue is recognized when a customer obtains control of promised goods or services. The amount of revenue recognized reflects the consideration to which the Company expects to be entitled to receive in exchange for these goods or services. The provisions of ASC 606 include a five-step process by which the determination of revenue recognition, depicting the transfer of goods or services to customers in amounts reflecting the payment to which the Company expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. ASC 606 requires the Company to apply the following steps:

(1) identify the contract with the customer; (2) identify the performance obligations in the contract; (3) determine the transaction price; (4) allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract; and (5) recognize revenue when, or as, performance obligations are satisfied.

The Company generates its revenue primarily from membership fees, product sales and F&B business.

*Membership Fee:* The Company collects an annual membership fee from its members. The fee is fixed, paid in full at the time upon joining the membership and is not refundable. The Company's performance obligation is to provide its members the right to (a) purchase products from the Company, (b) access to certain back-office services, (c) receive commissions and (d) attend corporate events. The associated performance obligation is satisfied over time, generally over the term of the membership agreement which is for a one-year period. The Company recognizes revenue from membership fee over the one-year period of the membership.

*Product Sales:* The Company's performance obligation is to transfer ownership of its products to its members. The Company generally recognizes revenue when product is delivered to its members. Revenue is recorded net of applicable taxes, allowances, refunds or returns. The Company receives the net sales price in cash or through credit card payments at the point of sale.

If any member returns a product to the Company on a timely basis, they may obtain a replacement product from the Company for such returned product. We do not have buyback program. However, when the customer requests a return and management decides that the refund is necessary, we initiate the refund after deducting all the benefits that a member has earned. The returns are deducted from our sales revenue on our financial statements. Allowances for product and membership returns are provided at the time the sale is recorded. This accrual is based upon historical return rates for each country and the relevant return pattern, which reflects anticipated returns to be received over a period of up to 12 months following the original sale. Product and membership returns for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 were \$0 and \$1,184, respectively. The table below represents a breakout of the returns related to product sales and the returns related to memberships:

				Returns				
	Me	Membership		Products		Total		
For the year ended:								
December 31, 2024	\$	-	\$		-	\$		-
December 31, 2023	\$	1,184	\$		-	\$	1	1,184

*Food and Beverage:* The Company's performance obligation is to transfer ownership of its F&B products to its customers. The Company generally recognizes revenue when F&B products are delivered to its customers. Revenue is recorded net of applicable taxes, allowances, refunds or returns. The Company receives the net sales price in cash or through credit card payments at the point of sale or from web-based ordering system. The revenue received from Food and Beverage business for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 was \$1,253,577 and \$817,761, respectively.

## Contract Assets and Liabilities

Below is a summary of the beginning and ending balances of the Company's contract assets and liabilities as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Prepaid Sales Commission	December 31, 2024		December 31, 2023		
Balances at the beginning of the year Movement for the year Balances at the end of the year	\$ \$	- -	\$ \$	6,839 (6,839)	
Deferred Revenue	December	31, 2024	D	ecember 31, 2023	
Balances at the beginning of the year Movement for the year Balances at the end of the year	\$ \$	- -	\$ \$	21,198 (21,198)	

## Value-added Tax

The Company is obligated to pay value-added tax ("VAT"), among other things, on its inventory purchase as well as its rent payments and payment of professional fees. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, included in other receivables was VAT paid of \$33,914 and \$37,179, respectively, due primarily to the purchase of inventory and payment of rents and accounting fees.

## Cost of Revenue

Cost of revenue consists of the cost of procuring finished goods from suppliers and related shipping and handling fees from third-parties money platform, contractor fees for part-time staff, franchise commission and sales commission from membership business.

Below is a breakdown of the Company's cost of revenue for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

For the years ended:

		Total		
<u>December 31, 2024</u>				
Finished goods		\$	492,113	
Related shipping			3,370	
Handling fee			47,590	
Contractor fee			43,787	
Franchise commission			17,133	
Depreciation			47,728	
Total of Cost of revenue		\$	651,721	
<u>December 31, 2023</u>				
Finished goods		\$	151,703	
Related shipping			9,346	
Handling fee			22,629	
Contractor fee			30,977	
Franchise commission			18,428	
Sales commission			13,827	
Inventory written off			30,753	
Depreciation			57,162	
Total of Cost of revenue		\$	334,825	
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## Shipping and Handling Fees

The Company utilizes the practical expedient under ASC 606-10-25-18B treating shipping and handling as fulfillment activities rather than a promised service (i.e. a revenue element). Shipping and handling fees are included in cost of revenue within the statements of operations.

#### **Commission Expense**

The Company compensates its sales leaders with leadership incentives for services rendered, relating to the development, retention, and management of their sales organizations. Leadership incentives are payable based on achieved sales volume, which are recorded in cost of revenue. Member will get 25% commission of the membership fee income if the member successfully refers a new member to subscribe to the membership. The commission will be payable after the referee's membership is confirmed and been paid by the new member.

## Advertising Expenses

Costs incurred for advertising the Company's products are charged to operations as incurred. Advertising expenses for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 were \$19,472 and \$4,191, respectively.

#### Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes pursuant to the provision of ASC 740-10, "Accounting for Income Taxes" ("ASC 740-10"), which requires, among other things, assets and liabilities approach to calculating deferred income taxes. The assets and liabilities approach requires the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the carrying amounts and the tax bases of assets and liabilities. A valuation allowance is provided to offset any net deferred tax assets for which management believes it is more likely than not that the net deferred tax assets will not be realized. Tax positions that meet the more likely than not recognition threshold are measured at the largest amount of tax benefit, that is, more than 50 percent likely of being realized upon settlement with the applicable taxing authority.

The Company follows the provision of ASC 740-10 related to Accounting for Uncertain Income Tax Positions. When tax returns are filed, there may be uncertainty about the merits of positions taken or the amount of the position that would be ultimately sustained. In accordance with the guidance of ASC 740-10, the benefit of a tax position is recognized in the financial statements in the period during which, based on all available evidence, management believes it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon examination, including the resolution of appeals or litigation processes, if any. Tax positions taken are not offset or aggregated with other positions.

The Company has not recorded any unrecognized tax benefits. The Company's policy is to recognize interest and penalties related to income taxes in income tax expense.

#### Delaware Franchise Tax

The State of Delaware, where the Company is incorporated, imposes a franchise tax that applies to most business entities that are formed or qualified to do business, or which are otherwise doing business, in Delaware. Delaware franchise tax is based on authorized shares or on assumed par and non-par capital, whichever yields a lower result. Under the authorized shares method, each share is taxed at a graduated rate based on the number of authorized shares. During years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 the Company incurred \$48,180 and \$205,000 in Delaware franchise tax, respectively.

## Non-controlling Interests

Non-controlling interests represent the equity in a subsidiary not attributable, directly or indirectly, to owners of the Company, and are presented separately in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Other Comprehensive Income, and within equity in the Consolidated Balance Sheets, separately from equity attributable to owners of the Company.

On December 31, 2024 and 2023, the aggregate non-controlling interests in the Company were \$111,835 and \$8,666, respectively.

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#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

In the year ended December 31, 2024, we incurred a net loss, a loss from operations and negative cash flow from operations as we expanded our business of operating cafés and restructured our membership model. These factors raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern.

Notwithstanding the above, the Company believes that the available cash in the Company's bank accounts, anticipated cash from operations, and financing availability from related parties are sufficient to alleviate substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern for at least the next 12 months. The Company's capital requirements for the planned expansion are based on, among other items, location-specific property costs, team requirements, and marketing steps needed. Our expansion includes plans to take over leases of existing Hapi Cafes that we currently do not own, with a goal to add additional Hapi Cafes over the next two years. Executing these plans will require a minimum investment for each Hapi Café location. There is no guarantee, however, that we will be able to achieve these plans as described.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared assuming the Company will continue as a going concern and do not contain any adjustments that might be required should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern.

On April 24, 2024, the Company entered into a Credit Facility Agreement (the "Credit Agreement") with Alset Inc., a Texas corporation and the Company's indirect, majority stockholder, pursuant to which Alset Inc. has provided the Company a non-revolving line of credit facility (the "Credit Facility"), which provides a maximum, aggregate credit line of up to \$1,000,000. During 2024, \$300,000 was drawn from the loan, which was converted to equity on September 24, 2024. This conversion is reflected under Advances from Related Parties in the cash flow statement. The remaining credit of \$700,000 is available for draw as on December 31, 2024.

Pursuant to the Credit Agreement, the Company may request an advance (each, an "Advance") on the Credit Facility. Each Advance shall bear a simple interest rate of three percent (3%) per annum. Each Advance and all accrued but unpaid interest shall be due and payable at the first (1<sup>st</sup>) anniversary of the effective date of the Credit Agreement. The Company may at any time during the term of the Credit Agreement prepay a portion or all amounts of its indebtedness without penalty. Each advance shall not be secured by a lien or other encumbrance on any of the Company's assets, but shall be solely a general unsecured debt obligation of the Company.

The Company has obtained letters of financial support from Alset International Limited and Alset Inc., a majority owners of the Company. Alset International Limited and Alset Inc. committed to provide any additional funding required by the Company and would not demand repayment through twelve months from the issuance of these consolidated financial statements.

### **Recent Accounting Pronouncement**

Management does not believe that any recently issued, but not effective, accounting standards, if currently adopted, would have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

#### Segment reporting

On November 27, 2023, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2023-07, *Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures* ("ASU 2023-07"). ASU 2023-07 amends ASC 280, *Segment Reporting* ("ASC 280") to expand segment disclosures by requiring disclosure of significant segment expenses that are regularly provided to the Company's chief operating decision maker ("CODM"), the amount and description of other segment items, the title and position of the CODM, and an explanation of how the CODM uses the reported measure(s) of segment profit or loss in assessing segment performance and deciding how to allocate resources. ASU 2023-07 further permits disclosure of more than one measure of segment profit or loss and extends the full disclosure requirements of ASC 280 to companies with single reportable segments. The Company adopted ASU 2023-07 on December 31, 2024 on a retrospective basis. See —*Segment reporting* below for additional information.

#### Accounting pronouncements pending adoption

On November 4, 2024, the FASB issued ASU No. 2024-03, *Expense Disaggregation Disclosures* ("ASU 2024-03"). ASU 2024-03 amends ASC 220, *Comprehensive Income* to expand income statement expense disclosures and require disclosure in the notes to the financial statements of specified information about certain costs and expenses. ASU 2024-03 is required to be adopted for fiscal years commencing after December 15, 2026, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting the standard on the Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### Segment reporting

The Company reports its segment information to reflect the manner in which the CODM reviews and assesses performance. The Company's Chief Executive Officer and President and Chief Operating Officer have joint responsibility as the CODM and review and assess the performance of the Company as a whole.

The primary financial measures used by the CODM to evaluate performance and allocate resources are net income (loss) and operating income (loss). The CODM uses net income (loss) and operating income (loss) to evaluate the performance of the Company's ongoing operations and as part of the Company's internal planning and forecasting processes. Information on Net income (loss) and Operating income (loss) is disclosed in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. Segment expenses and other segment items are provided to the CODM on the same basis as disclosed in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The CODM does not evaluate performance or allocate resources based on segment assets, and therefore such information is not presented in the notes to the financial statements.

## NOTE 3 - MERGER WITH HWH INTERNATIONAL INC. (A NEVADA CORPORATION)

HWH International Inc. (f.k.a. Alset Capital Acquisition Corp.; "SPAC", the "Company") was a special purpose acquisition company, incorporated in Delaware on October 20, 2021 and formed for the purpose of effecting a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase, reorganization or similar business combination with one or more businesses. On January 9, 2024, the Company, HWH International Inc. (a Nevada corporation, "HWH Nevada") and HWH Merger Sub Inc. consummated the merger (the "Reverse Recapitalization" or "Business Combination") pursuant to an agreement and plan of merger dated as of September 9, 2022.

The transaction was accounted for as a Reverse Recapitalization in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Under this method of accounting, SPAC was treated as the "acquired" company for financial reporting purposes. This determination is primarily based on the fact that subsequent to the Reverse Recapitalization, HWH Nevada stockholders comprise a majority of voting power on the Company, most of senior management of HWH Nevada continued as senior management of the

combined company and identified a majority of the members of the board of directors of the combined company, both companies are under common control, and HWH Nevada's operations comprise the ongoing operations of the combined company. Accordingly, for accounting purposes, the Company is considered to be a continuation of HWH Nevada, with the net identifiable assets of SPAC deemed to have been acquired by HWH Nevada in exchange for HWH Nevada common shares accompanied by a recapitalization, with no goodwill or intangible assets recorded. In connection with the Business Combination:

- The holders of 8,591,072 Public Shares properly exercised their right to have such shares redeemed for a full pro rata portion of the Trust Account holding the proceeds from the IPO.
- Immediately prior to the consummation of the Reverse Recapitalization (i) each of the 1,972,896 shares of SPAC's Class A Common Stock was cancelled and converted into 1,972,896 shares of the Company's common stock; (ii) each of the issued and outstanding 2,156,250 shares of SPAC's Class B Common Shares were converted into 2,156,250 shares of SPAC's Class A Common Stock and subsequently into 2,156,250 shares of the Company's common stock; (iii) each of the SPAC's 1,900,875 new shares of the Company's common stock were issued in connection with the conversion of the SPAC's rights into the Company's common shares.
- 12,500,000 shares of the Company's common stock were delivered as consideration in the Business Combination
- 149,443 shares of the Company's common stock were issued to a third party as payment for \$1,509,375 of underwriting compensation.

The transaction described above was a transaction between entities under common control. SPAC, prior to the Business Combination, was 26% owned by Alset International Limited, a public company listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited and 32% owned by Alset Inc., the ultimate owner of both SPAC and HWH Nevada. HWH Nevada was wholly-owned by Alset International Limited. In the transactions under common control, financial statements and financial information were presented as of the beginning of the period as though the assets and liabilities had been transferred at that date.

## Consolidated Statement of Operations and Other Comprehensive Loss for the Year Ended on December 31, 2023

	As SP	AC previously booked	Merg	ger with HWH- NV		Recast
Revenue	¢.		<b>•</b>		<b>^</b>	
-Membership -Non-membership	\$	-	\$	12,293 818,226	\$	12,293 818,226
Total revenue	\$		\$	818,220	\$	830,519
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Cost of revenue						
-Membership	\$	-	\$	(13,827)	\$	(13,827)
-Non-membership Total cost of revenue	\$		\$	(320,998) (334,825)	\$	(320,998) (334,825)
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Gross profit	\$	-	\$	495,694	\$	495,694
Operating expenses:						
General and administrative expenses	\$	(1,034,367)	\$	(1,874,528)	\$	(2,908,895)
Impairment of convertible note receivable – related party, and investment				(100,000)		(100.000)
in associate, related party Total operating expenses	e.	- (1.024.267)	\$	(493,898)	<u>د</u>	(493,898)
Total operating expenses	\$	(1,034,367)	2	(2,368,426)	\$	(3,402,793)
Other income (expenses)						
Other income	\$	2,023,638	\$	187,283	\$	2,210,921
Foreign exchange transaction gain Loss on equity method investment, related party				68,797		68,797 (33,898)
Total other income	\$	2,023,638	\$	(33,898) 222,182	\$	2,245,820
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Income (loss) before provision for income taxes		989,271		(1,650,550)		(661,279)
Provision for income taxes		(415,383)		<u> </u>		(415,383)
Net income (loss)	\$	573,888	\$	(1,650,550)	\$	(1,076,662)
Less: Net income attributable to Non-Controlling Interests		_		3,830		3,830
Net income (loss) attributable to the common shareholders	\$	573,888	\$	(1,654,380)	\$	(1,080,492)
Other comprehensive loss:						
Foreign exchange translation adjustment	-	-		(49,045)	-	(49,045)
Total Other comprehensive loss, net of tax	\$	-	\$	(49,045)	\$	(49,045)
Comprehensive income (loss):	<u>\$</u>	573,888	\$	(1,703,425)	\$	(1,129,537)
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## Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2023

	As SF	As SPAC previously Merger with HWH- booked NV		Recast		
ASSETS						
Current Assets Cash	\$	280,398	\$	878,803	\$	1,159,201
Account receivable, net Inventory Other receivables, net		-		28,611 1,977 41,203		28,611 1,977 41,203
Prepaid expenses Total Current Assets	\$	100,000 380,398	\$	6,862 957,456	\$	106,862 1,337,854
<b>Non-Current Assets</b> Property and equipment, net Cash and marketable securities held in Trust Account	\$	21,346,768	\$	129,230	\$	129,230 21,346,768
Deposits Operating lease right-of-use assets, net		-		298,324 598,508		298,324 598,508
Total Non-Current Assets	\$	21,346,768	\$	1,026,062	\$	22,372,830
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	21,727,166	\$	1,983,518	\$	23,710,684
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY						
Current Liabilities Accounts payable and accrued expenses Accrued commissions	\$	30,156	\$	137,199 85,206	\$	167,355 85,206
Due to related parties, net Operating lease liabilities - current Deferred underwriting fee payable		205,305 - 3,018,750		2,118,495 429,687		2,323,800 429,687 3,018,750
Total Current Liabilities	\$	3,254,211	\$	2,770,587	\$	6,024,798
Non-Current Liabilities Operating lease liabilities - Non-current Total Non-Current Liabilities	\$ \$	<u> </u>	\$ \$	182,380 182,380	\$ \$	182,380 182,380
Commitments and Contingencies						
<b>Temporary equity:</b> Class A common stock subject to possible redemption; 395,207 shares (at approximately \$53.40 per share) as of December 31, 2023*	\$	21,102,871	\$	-	\$	21,102,871
<b>Stockholders' Equity</b> Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value; 1,000,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2023		-		-		-
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value; 50,000,000 shares authorized; 2,000 issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2023* Class A common stock, \$0.0001 par value; 50,000,000 shares authorized; 04 750 issued and suttanding as of December 21, 2023*		-		-		-
94,750 issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2023* Class B common stock, \$0.0001 par value; 50,000,000 shares authorized; 431,250 issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2023*		9 43		-		9 43
Additional paid in capital Accumulated other comprehensive loss Accumulated deficit		155,974 - (2,785,942)		10 (197,051) (781,074)		155,984 (197,051) (3,567,016)
Total Stockholders' Deficit Non-controlling interests	\$	(2,629,916)	\$	(978,115) 8,666	\$	(3,608,031) 8,666
Total Stockholders' Deficit		(2,629,916)		(969,449)		(3,599,365)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT	\$	21,727,166	\$	1,983,518	\$	23,710,684

\*The common stock share amounts were adjusted retrospectively to reflect the 5-for-1 reverse stock split on February 24, 2025

## NOTE 4 — ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, NET

Accounts receivable, net at December 31, 2024, December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022 of \$17,546, \$28,611 and \$9,070, respectively, represent collections receivable by the credit card processor in F&B business and rent receivable. Accounts receivable are recorded at invoiced amounts net of an allowance for credit losses and do not bear interest. The allowance for credit losses is the Company's best estimate of the amount of probable credit losses in the Company's existing accounts receivable. The measurement and recognition of credit losses involves the use of judgment. Management's assessment of expected credit losses includes consideration of current and expected economic conditions, market and industry factors affecting the Company's customers (including their financial condition), the aging of account balances, historical credit losses for specific receivables when it is probable that the receivable will not be collected and the loss can be reasonably estimated. Accounts receivable considered uncollectible are charged against the allowance after all means of collection have been exhausted and the potential for recovery is considered remote. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the allowance for credit losses was an immaterial amount. The Company

does not have any off-balance sheet credit exposure related to its customers. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, \$11,177 and \$0 of rent receivable was written off, respectively.

# NOTE 5 — PREPAID COMMISSIONS

During the normal course of business, the Company pays commission to its members for product sales as well as membership sales. Prepaid commissions are recorded for commissions paid on membership sales and recognized as an expense over the same period as the related membership revenue.

## NOTE 6 — INVENTORY

As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the balance of finished goods was \$1,574 and \$1,977, respectively. There is no provision for slow-moving or obsolete inventory during the year ended December 31, 2024. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company wrote off \$30,753 of expired, slow-moving and obsolete inventory. This was recorded in the Company's consolidated statement of operations in cost of revenue (non-membership) during the year ended December 31, 2023.

## NOTE 7 — PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET

The components of property and equipment are as follows:

		Total			
<u>December 31, 2024</u>					
Cost:					
Office Equipment	\$	37,455			
Furniture and Fittings		42,328			
Kitchen Equipment		30,473			
Operating Equipment		11,594			
Leasehold Improvements		133,548			
Accumulated Depreciation:					
Office equipment		(30,179)			
Furniture and Fittings		(40,028)			
Kitchen Equipment		(13,221)			
Operating Equipment		(5,107)			
Leasehold Improvements		(65,048)			
Impairment:					
Office equipment		(6,774)			
Furniture and Fittings		(2,300)			
Kitchen Equipment		(8,931)			
Operating Equipment		(3,450)			
Leasehold Improvements		(46,772)			
Total, net	<u>\$</u>	33,588			
<u>December 31, 2023</u>					
Cost:					
Office Equipment	\$	30,861			
Furniture and Fittings		46,376			
Kitchen Equipment		23,044			
Operating Equipment		8,522			
Leasehold Improvements		122,083			
Accumulated Depreciation:					
Office Equipment		(15,848)			
Furniture and Fittings		(31,518)			
Kitchen Equipment		(8,368)			
Operating Equipment		(3,373)			
Leasehold Improvements		(42,549)			
Total, net	\$	129,230			

For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company recorded depreciation expenses of \$48,172 and \$58,006 and impairment of property and equipment of \$69,293 and \$0, respectively. The impairment was determined by the Company based on the discounted cash flow of the cash generating unit ("CGU"), which involves the cash flow projections covering a 3-year period and the fair value less cost of disposal. Based on the assessment, the recoverable amount of the CGU was determined to be zero, which was below the carrying amount of these non-financial assets. As of December 31, 2024, the Company disposed of office equipment, at a cost of \$7,429, and furniture and fittings, at a cost of \$2,784, from F&BPLQ due to café's closure. \$5,878 loss on disposal of PPE was recorded in the general and administrative expenses.

## NOTE 8 — INVESTMENTS AT COST

Investments in equity securities without readily determinable fair values are measured at cost minus impairment adjusted by observable price changes in orderly transactions for the identical or a similar investment of the same issuer. These investments are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis when there are events or changes in circumstances that may have a significant adverse effect. An impairment loss, which is recognized in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income, equals to the amount by which the carrying value exceeds the fair value of the investment. No impairment was recorded as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024.

### Joint Venture

On April 25, 2024, the Company entered into a binding term sheet (the "Term Sheet") through its subsidiary Health Wealth Happiness Pte. Ltd. ("HWHPL") outlining a joint venture with Chen Ziping, an experienced entrepreneur in the travel industry, and Chan Heng Fai Ambrose, HWH's Executive Chairman, as a part of HWH's strategy of building its travel business in Asia. The planned joint venture company (referred to here as the "JVC" or "HTHPL") will be known as HapiTravel Holding Pte. Ltd. The JVC will be initially owned as follows: (a) HWHPL will hold 19% of the shares in the JVC; (b) Mr. Chan will hold 11%; and (c) the remaining 70% of the shares in the JVC will be held by Mr. Chen.

On November 6, 2024, the Company signed a loan agreement with HTHPL in the amount of \$137,658 at a rate of 5% per annum, the maturity date of which is on or before the second anniversary of the effective date.

As of December 31, 2024, HTHPL owed the Company a total of \$139,370, which is recorded in other receivables in the financial statements, which included the subscription fee for 19% of the shares of the JVC.

### Ideal Food & Beverage Pte. Ltd.

On March 14, 2024, the Company entered into a share subscription agreement through its subsidiary Alset F&B Holding Pte. Ltd. ("F&BH") for 19,000 shares of Ideal Food & Beverage Pte. Ltd. ("IFBPL"), constituting 19% of the issued shares of IFBPL. The subscription fee of \$14,010 was paid to IFBPL on May 23, 2024.

On March 14, 2024, the Company entered into a share subscription agreement through its subsidiary Alset F&B Holding Pte. Ltd. ("F&BH") for 19,000 shares of Ideal Food & Beverage Pte. Ltd. ("FBPL"), constituting 19% of the issued shares of IFBPL. The subscription fee of \$14,010 was paid to IFBPL on May 23, 2024. The Company impaired this investment of \$14,010 to \$0 and total impairment expenses were \$14,205, which included \$14,010 of investment and \$195 exchange difference, due to net liabilities of IFBPL as of December 31, 2024.

#### NOTE 9 — COMMISSIONS EXPENSE

Accrued commissions as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 represent mainly sales commission payable. For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, sales commission expenses of \$0 and \$13,827 respectively, were recorded and included in cost of revenue in the Company's consolidated statement of operations.

#### NOTE 10 - LOANS DUE TO THIRD PARTIES

#### Loans for Operations

The Company's subsidiary, Ketomei Pte Ltd ("Ketomei") has a loan from DBS Bank Limited, which was used to fund Ketomei's current operations. Ketomei owes the bank \$34,155 at December 31, 2024.

Ketomei also borrowed \$42,696 from an individual on February 21, 2022, which consisted of principal of \$36,807 and interest of \$5,889 for 2 years at 8% interest rate per annum. Ketomei repaid \$39,015 in 2024 and owes \$3,681 at December 31, 2024, which will be repaid in 6 installments in 2025.

#### **Promissory Note to EF Hutton LLC**

On December 18, 2023, the Company entered into a Satisfaction and Discharge of Indebtedness Agreement in connection with an underwriting agreement previously entered into by HWH and EF Hutton LLC ("EF Hutton") (now known as D. Boral Capital LLC), a division of Benchmark Investments, LLC, under which in lieu of HWH tendering the full amount due of \$3,018,750, the underwriters accepted a combination of \$325,000 in cash paid upon the closing of Business Combination, 149,443 shares of the Company's common stock and a \$1,184,375 promissory note as full satisfaction. This agreement was effective at the closing of Business Combination on January 9, 2024. The 149,443 shares were issued at the price of \$10.10, totaling the amount of \$1,509,375. The fair value of the HWH shares at issuance on January 9, 2024 was \$2.82 per share or \$421,429. No gain or loss was recognized upon issuance of the shares on January 9, 2024, as this was an adjustment to prior underwriting costs accounted for in equity. The promissory note carries interest rate equal to SOFR (secured overnight financing rate for U.S. Government Securities Business Day published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York) plus a margin of one percent. The principal amount of the promissory note and any accrued interest shall mature (i) partially in the event HWH completes an offering within one year of the date of the promissory note, the amount of outstanding debt maturing being proportionate to the amount of proceeds of the future offering, or (ii) in partial installments through October of 2028, the outstanding balance being paid annually until the balance owed is paid in full. The first installment of the note that was due in October 2024 was paid in January 2025, resulting in a default due to the delay in payment. We are currently in negotiations with EF Hutton to resolve the default status and restore the account to good standing.

## NOTE 11 — DUE TO ALSET INC.

Alset Inc ("AEI") is our ultimate holding company that is incorporated in the United States of America. The amount due to AEI represents short-term working capital advances to the Company for its daily operations. There is no written, executed agreement and no financial/non-financial covenants and the amount due to AEI is non-interest bearing. Since the amount due to AEI is due upon request, it is classified as a current liability. The amounts due to AEI at December 31, 2024 and 2023 are \$209,614 and \$202,645 respectively.

On April 24, 2024, the Company entered into a Credit Facility Agreement (the "Credit Agreement") with Alset Inc., pursuant to which AEI has provided the Company a line of credit facility (the "Credit Facility") which provides a maximum, aggregate credit line of up to \$1,000,000.

Pursuant to the Credit Agreement, the Company may request an advance (each, an "Advance") on the Credit Facility. Each Advance shall bear a simple interest rate of three percent (3%) per annum. Each Advance and all accrued but unpaid interest shall be due and payable at the first (1<sup>st</sup>) anniversary of the effective date of the Credit Agreement. The Company may at any time during the term of the Credit Agreement prepay a portion or all amounts of its indebtedness without penalty. Each Advance shall not be secured by a lien or other encumbrance on any of the Company's assets, but shall be solely a general unsecured debt obligation of the Company. On September 24, 2024 the Company drew \$300,000 from the credit line and accrued \$3,164 in interest. On December 31, 2024, \$3,164 of the interest remained outstanding.

On September 24, 2024, the Company entered into a Debt Conversion Agreement (the "AEI Conversion") with Alset Inc., pursuant to which a debt of \$300,000 due to AEI was converted into shares of the Company's common stock at a price per share of \$0.63 for a total of 476,190 shares.

## NOTE 12 — DUE TO/FROM RELATED PARTIES

#### Due to Alset International Limited.

Alset International Limited ("AIL") is incorporated in Singapore and is a fellow subsidiary of the common parent company, Alset Inc. The amount due to AIL represents short-term working capital advances to the Company for its daily operations. There is no written, executed agreement and no financial/non-financial covenants and the amount due to AIL is non-interest bearing. Since the amount due to AIL is due upon request, it is classified as a current liability. The amounts due to AIL at December 31, 2024 and 2023 are \$5,096,047 and \$1,729,901, respectively.

On September 24, 2024, the Company entered into a Debt Conversion Agreement (the "AIL Conversion") with Alset International Limited, pursuant to which a debt of \$3,501,759 due to AIL was converted into shares of the Company's common stock at a price per share of \$0.63 for a total of 5,558,347 shares.

#### Due to Alset Business Development Pte. Limited.

Alset Business Development Pte. Limited ("ABD") is incorporated in Singapore and is a fellow subsidiary of the common parent company, Alset Inc. The amount due to ABD represents amount loaned by ABD to Hapi Cafe Inc. for the investment in Ketomei Pte. Ltd ("Ketomei") in March 2022, and also represents amount loaned HWHPL to ABD in November 2024. There is no written, executed agreement and no financial/non-financial covenants and the amount due to ABD is non-interest bearing. Since the amount due to ABD is due upon request, it is classified as a current liability. The amount due from ABD at December 31, 2024 is \$4,113,701 and amount due to ABD at December 31, 2023 is \$184,507.

### Due to BMI Capital Partners International Limited.

BMI Capital Partners International Limited ("BMI") is incorporated in Hong Kong and is a fellow subsidiary of the common parent company, Alset Inc. The amount due to BMI represents short-term working capital advances to the Company for its daily operations. There is no written, executed agreement and no financial/non-financial covenants and the amount due to BMI is non-interest bearing. Since the amount due to BMI is due upon request, it is classified as a current liability. The amounts due to BMI at December 31, 2024 and 2023 are \$0 and \$1,442, respectively.

### General and Administrative Services

Commencing on the date the Company's common stock was first listed on the Nasdaq, the Company has agreed to pay to Alset Management Group Inc. a total of \$10,000 per month for office space, utilities, and secretarial and administrative support for up to 24 months. Upon completion of the Business Combination, the Company ceased paying these monthly fees. During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company recorded a charge of \$0 and \$120,000, respectively, to the statement of operations pursuant to the agreement.

## **Related Party Loans**

## Working Capital Loans

In order to finance transaction costs in connection with a Business Combination, the Sponsor or an affiliate of the Sponsor, or certain of the Company's officers and directors were permitted to, but were not obligated to, loan the Company funds as may be required ("Working Capital Loans"). Such Working Capital Loans would be evidenced by promissory notes. The notes were to be repaid upon completion of a Business Combination, without interest, or, at the lender's discretion, up to \$1,500,000 of the notes may be converted upon completion of a Business Combination into units at a price of \$10.00 per unit. Such units would be identical to the Private Placement Units. The Business Combination has closed, and there are no amounts outstanding under these Working Capital Loans. No amounts were converted into the units at the Business Combination.

#### Extension Loan

On May 1, 2023, the Company amended the Investment Management Trust Agreement (the "Trust Agreement") with Wilmington Trust, National Association, a national banking association, which was entered into on January 31, 2022. On May 2, 2023 the Company filed an Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation. The Trust Agreement and Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation were amended, in part, so that the Company's ability to complete a business combination was extended in additional increments of one month up to a total of twenty-one (21) additional months from the closing date of the Offering, subject to the payment into the Trust Account by the Company of one-third of 1% of the funds remaining in the Trust Account following any redemptions in connection with the approval of the amendment to the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation. The Sponsor funded the first 30-day extension payment on May 3, 2023. The Sponsor also made subsequent extension payments on June 5<sup>th</sup> and July 6<sup>th</sup> of \$68,928 and \$69,158, respectively. The Sponsor was entitled to the repayment of these extension payments, without interest. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023 there was \$0 and \$205,305 outstanding under the extension loan, respectively.

## NOTE 13 — RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

On August 31, 2023, Hapi Café Inc. and Ketomei Pte. Ltd. entered into a binding term sheet pursuant to which HCI agreed to lend Ketomei up to \$36,634 pursuant to a convertible loan, with a term of 12 months. After the initial 12 months, the interest on such loan will be 3.5%. This loan was written off upon the acquisition of Ketomei in February 2024.

On October 26, 2023, the same parties entered into another binding term sheet pursuant to which HCI agreed to lend Ketomei up to \$37,876 pursuant to a non- convertible loan, with a term of 12 months. After the initial 12 months, the interest on such loan will be 3.5%. This loan was written off upon the acquisition of Ketomei in February 2024.

On February 20, 2024, the Company invested additional \$312,064 for an additional 38.41% ownership interest in Ketomei by converting \$312,064 of convertible loan. The loan was impaired at the year ended December 31, 2023, therefore, \$312,064 was transferred from impairment of convertible loan to impairment of loss on goodwill. After this additional investment, the Company owns 55.65% of Ketomei's outstanding shares and Ketomei is consolidated into the financial statements of the Company beginning on February 20, 2024.

On March 20, 2024, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement with Sharing Services Global Corporation ("SHRG"), pursuant to which the Company purchased from SHRG a (i) Convertible Promissory Note ("CN 1") in the amount of \$250,000, convertible into 208,333,333 shares of SHRG's common stock at the option of the Company, and (ii) certain warrants exercisable into 208,333,333 shares of SHRG's common stock at the exercise period of the warrant being five (5) years from the date of the securities purchase agreement, for an aggregate purchase price of \$250,000. At the time of filing, the Company has not converted any of the debt contemplated by CN 1 nor exercised any of the warrants.

On May 9, 2024, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement with Sharing Services Global Corporation, pursuant to which the Company purchased from SHRG a Convertible Promissory Note ("CN 2") in the amount of \$250,000, convertible into 125,000,000 shares of SHRG's common stock at the option of the Company for an aggregate purchase price of \$250,000. CN 2 bears an 8% interest rate and has a scheduled maturity three years from the date of the CN 2. Additionally, upon signing CN 2, SHRG owed the Company a commitment fee of 8% of the principal amount, \$20,000 in total, to be paid either in cash or in common stock of SHRG, at the discretion of the Company.

On June 6, 2024, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement with Sharing Services Global Corporation, pursuant to which the Company purchased from SHRG a Convertible Promissory Note ("CN 3") in the amount of \$250,000, convertible into 125,000,000 shares of SHRG's common stock at the option of the Company for an aggregate purchase price of \$250,000. CN 3 bears an 8% interest rate and has a scheduled maturity three years from the date of the CN 3. Additionally, upon signing CN 3, SHRG owed the Company a commitment fee of 8% of the principal amount, \$20,000 in total, to be paid either in cash or in common stock of SHRG, at the discretion of the Company.

On August 13, 2024, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement with Sharing Services Global Corporation, pursuant to which the Company purchased from SHRG a Convertible Promissory Note ("CN 4") in the amount of \$100,000, convertible into 50,000,000 shares of SHRG's common stock at the option of the Company for an aggregate purchase price of \$100,000. CN 4 bears an 8% interest rate and has a scheduled maturity three years from the date of the CN 4. Additionally, upon signing CN 4, SHRG owed the Company a commitment fee of 8% of the principal amount, \$8,000 in total, to be paid either in cash or in common stock of SHRG, at the discretion of the Company.

As of December 31, 2024, a total of \$48,000 in commitment fees and \$39,323 of convertible note interest was recorded under other receivable.

SHRG is a related party of our Company, as our stockholders Alset Inc. and Alset International Limited, in addition to certain entities affiliated with them, are significant stockholders of SHRG, and our Chief Executive Officer and Chairman are also the Chief Executive Officer and Chairman, respectively, of SHRG.

Financial assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized below and disclosed on the consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2024:

	Fair Value Measurement Using					A	mount at	
	Lev	el 1		Level 2	Lev	vel 3	F	air Value
December 31, 2024								
Assets								
Warrants – SHRG	\$	-	\$	13,272	\$	-	\$	13,272
Convertible loans receivable - SHRG		-		744,652		-		744,652
Total Investment in securities at Fair Value	\$	-	\$	757,924	\$	-	\$	757,924

The fair value of the SHRG warrants under level 2 category as of December 31, 2024 was calculated using a binomial option pricing model valued with the following weighted average assumptions:

Stock price	Decem	ber 31, 2024
	\$	1.000
Exercise price	\$	1.6800
Risk free interest rate		4.34%
Annualized volatility		204.14%
Dividend yield		0.00%
Year to maturity		4.21

The Company has elected to recognize the convertible loan at fair value and therefore there was no further evaluation of embedded features for bifurcation. The Company engaged a valuation firm to perform the valuation of convertible loans. The fair value of the convertible loans is calculated using the binomial tree model based on probability of remaining as straight debt using discounted cash flow with the following assumptions:

		As of December 31, 2024					
CN#	1	2	3	4			
Issued date	March 18, 2024	May 9, 2024	June 6, 2024	August 13, 2024			
Risk-free interest rate	4.248%	4.253%	4.255%	4.261%			
Expected life	2.21 year	2.35 year	2.43 year	2.62 year			
Discount rate	6.00%	8.00%	8.00%	8.00%			
Expected volatility	204.138%	204.138%	204.138%	204.138%			
Expected dividend yield	0%	0%	0%	0%			
Fair value	\$ 212,708	\$ 230,871	\$ 212,865	\$ 88,208			

Changes in the observable input values would likely cause material changes in the fair value of the Company's Level 2 financial instruments. A significant increase (decrease) in this likelihood would result in a higher (lower) fair value measurement.

Revenue from F&B business amounting to approximately \$4,488 and \$7,444 during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, was related to corporate sales. That revenue was derived from corporate sales to related parties who purchased meals and paid for their staff.

Included in Accounts Receivable, net at December 31, 2024 and 2023 is \$1,652 and \$6,181, respectively, of amounts due from related parties.

Included in other income during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 is \$6,462 and \$6,756, respectively of rental income from related parties.

## NOTE 14 — COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

From time to time the Company may be named in claims arising in the ordinary course of business. Currently, no legal proceedings, government actions, administrative actions, investigations or claims are pending against the Company or involve the Company that, in the opinion of management, could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on its business and financial condition. For all periods presented, the Company was not a party to any pending material litigation or other material legal proceedings.

## **Registration Rights**

The holders of the Founder Shares, Private Placement Warrants and warrants that may be issued upon conversion of Working Capital Loans (and any shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of the Private Placement Warrants or warrants issued upon conversion of the Working Capital Loans and upon conversion of the Founder Shares) will be entitled to registration rights pursuant to a registration rights agreement to be signed prior to or on the effective date of Initial Public Offering requiring the Company to register such securities for resale. The holders of these securities will be entitled to make up to three demands, excluding short form registration demands, that the Company register such securities. In addition, the holders have certain "piggy-back" registration rights with respect to registration statements filed subsequent to completion of a Business Combination and rights to require the Company to register for resale such securities pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act. However, the registration rights agreement provides that the Company will not be required to effect or permit any registration or cause any registration statement to become effective until the securities covered thereby are released from their lock-up restrictions. The Company will be art the expenses incurred in connection with the filing of any such registration statements.

#### **Underwriting Agreement**

The Company granted the underwriters a 45-day option from the date of Initial Public Offering to purchase up to 1,125,000 additional Units to cover overallotments, if any, at the Initial Public Offering price less the underwriting discounts and commissions. On February 3, 2022, the underwriters elected to fully exercise their over-allotment option. The Units were sold at an offering price of \$10.00 per Unit, generating additional gross proceeds to the Company of \$11,250,000.

The underwriters were paid a cash underwriting discount of 0.20 per Unit, or 1,725,000 in the aggregate, upon the closing of the Initial Public Offering. In addition, the underwriters were entitled to a deferred fee of 0.35 per Unit, or \$3,018,750 in the aggregate. The deferred fee was paid to the underwriters in the form of cash, shares and promissory note upon completion of the Business Combination

## NOTE 15 — STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

The total amount of authorized capital stock of the Company is 56,000,000 shares, consisting of (a) 55,000,000 shares of common stock, and (b) 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, there were no shares of preferred stock outstanding.

The Company previously had shares of Class B common stock outstanding, which automatically converted into Class A common stock at the time of the Business Combination, on a one-for-one basis.

Rights - Each holder of a right automatically received one-tenth (1/10) of one share of common stock upon consummation of the Business Combination.

*Warrants* — Public Warrants may only be exercised for a whole number of shares. No fractional warrants will be issued upon separation of the Units and only whole warrants will trade. The Public Warrants became exercisable 30 days after the completion of the Business Combination. The Public Warrants will expire five years after the completion of the Business Combination.

The Company will not be obligated to deliver any shares of Class A common stock pursuant to the exercise of a warrant and will have no obligation to settle such warrant exercise unless a registration statement under the Securities Act covering the issuance of the shares of Class A common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants is then effective and a current prospectus relating to those shares of Class A common stock is available, subject to the Company satisfying its obligations with respect to registration, or a valid exemption from registration is available. No warrant will be exercisable for cash or on a cashless basis, and the Company will not be obligated to issue any shares to holders seeking to exercise their warrants, unless the issuance of the shares upon such exercise is registered or qualified under the securities laws of the state of residence of the exercising holder, or an exemption from registration is available.

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*Redemption of Warrants When the Price per Share of Class A Common Stock Equals or Exceeds \$18.00* — Once the warrants become exercisable, the Company may redeem the outstanding Public Warrants:

- in whole and not in part;
- at a price of \$0.01 per Public Warrant;
- upon a minimum of 30 days' prior written notice of redemption, or the 30-day redemption period to each warrant holder; and
- if, and only if, the last reported sale price of the Class A common stock equals or exceeds \$18.00 per share (as adjusted for stock splits, stock dividends, reorganization, recapitalizations and the like) for any 20 trading days within a 30-trading day period ending on the trading day prior to the date on which the Company sends the notice of redemption to warrant holders.

If and when the warrants become redeemable by the Company, the Company may exercise its redemption right even if it is unable to register or qualify the underlying securities for sale under all applicable state securities laws.

If the Company calls the Public Warrants for redemption, as described above, its management will have the option to require any holder that wishes to exercise the Public Warrants to do so on a "cashless basis," as described in the warrant agreement. The exercise price and number of common stock issuable upon exercise of the Public Warrants may be adjusted in certain circumstances including in the event of a stock dividend, extraordinary dividend or recapitalization, reorganization, merger or consolidation. However, except as described below, the Public Warrants will not be adjusted for issuances of common stock at a price below its exercise price. Additionally, in no event will the Company be required to net cash settle the Public Warrants.

The Private Placement Warrants are identical to the Public Warrants underlying the Units being sold in the Initial Public Offering except the Private Placement Warrants (including the Class A common stock issuable upon exercise of the Private Placement Warrants) were transferable, assignable or salable until 30 days after the completion of the Business Combination, subject to certain exceptions.

The following table summarizes the warrant activity for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

	Warrant for Common Shares	Α	/eighted werage rcise Price	Remaining Contractual Term (Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Warrants Outstanding as of December 31, 2023	909,875	\$	57.5	5.03	\$ -
Warrants Vested and exercisable at December 31, 2023	909,875	\$	57.5	5.03	\$ -
Granted	-		-		
Exercised	-		-		
Forfeited, cancelled, expired	(1)		-		
Warrants Outstanding as of December 31, 2024	909,874	\$	57.5	4.03	\$ -
Warrants Vested and exercisable at December 31, 2024	909,874	\$	57.5	4.03	\$ -

	Warrant for Common Shares	A	eighted verage cise Price	Remaining Contractual Term (Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Warrants Outstanding as of December 31, 2022	909,875	\$	57.5	6.03	\$ -
Warrants Vested and exercisable at December 31, 2022	909,875	\$	57.5	6.03	\$ -
Granted	-		-		
Exercised	-		-		
Forfeited, cancelled, expired	-		-		
Warrants Outstanding as of December 31, 2023	909,875	\$	57.5	5.03	\$ -
Warrants Vested and exercisable at December 31, 2023	909,875	\$	57.5	5.03	\$ -

## Issuance of HWH Shares to EF Hutton

On December 18, 2023, the Company entered into a Satisfaction and Discharge of Indebtedness Agreement in connection with an underwriting agreement previously entered into by the Company and EF Hutton, a division of Benchmark Investments, LLC, under which in lieu of the Company tendering the full amount due of \$3,018,750, the underwriters accepted a combination of \$325,000 in cash payable upon the closing of the Business Combination, 149,443 shares of the Company's common stock and a \$1,184,375 promissory note as full satisfaction. This agreement was effective at the closing of the Business Combination on January 9, 2024. The 149,443 shares were issued at the price of \$10.10, totaling the amount of \$1,509,375. The fair value of the Company shares at issuance on January 9, 2024 was \$2.82 per share or \$421,429. No gain or loss was recognized upon issuance of the shares on January 9, 2024 as this was an adjustment to prior underwriting costs accounted for in equity.



## NOTE 16 — INCOME TAXES

The provision for income taxes consisted of the following:

	2024		2023		
Current	\$	- \$	415,383		
Deferred		-	-		
Total	\$	- \$	415,383		
	2024		2023		
Income taxes at statutory rate	20	.39%	18.91%		
Change in valuation allowance	(20	.39)%	(18.91)%		
Other		-%	-%		
Effective tax rate		-%	-%		

Significant components of the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

		2023		
Deferred tax assets:				
Receivable from related party	\$	897	\$	1,020
Inventory		5,800		6,766
Lease Liability		108,318		126,336
Accrued Commission		11		18,745
Net Operation Loss		777,572		468,414
Total deferred tax assets	\$	892,598	\$	621,281
Deferred tax liabilities:				
Prepaid commissions	\$	-	\$	-
Right-of-Use Assets		(105,754)		(123,371)
Total deferred tax liabilities	\$	(105,754)	\$	(123,371)
Deferred tax assets / (liabilities), net	\$	786,844	\$	497,910
Less valuation allowance		(786,844)		(497,910)
Deferred tax asset c/f	\$	-	\$	-

After consideration of all the evidence, both positive and negative, management has recognized a valuation allowance with respect to its net deferred tax assets as at December 31, 2024 and 2023, as it believes it is unlikely that such deferred tax assets will be realized against taxable income in future years.

## NOTE 17 -- LEASES

The Company has operating leases for its office spaces, one F&B store in South Korea and two F&B stores in Singapore. In the second quarter of 2024, the Company ceased its operations of F&BPLQ and recorded a gain on termination of the operating lease of \$248, which is included in other income on the Company's Statement of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2024.

The related lease agreements do not contain any material residual value guarantees or material restrictive covenants. Since the Company's leases do not provide an implicit rate that can be readily determined, management uses a discount rate based on the incremental borrowing rate. The Company's weighted-average remaining lease term relating to its operating leases is 1.76 years, with a weighted-average discount rate of 3.39%.

The Company has also utilized the following practical expedients:

- Short-term leases for leases that are for a period of 12 months or less, the Company will not apply the recognition requirements of ASC 842.
- For leases that contain related non-lease components, such as maintenance, the Company will account for these payments as a single lease component.

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The current portion of operating lease liabilities and the non-current portion of operating lease liabilities are presented on the balance sheets. Total lease expenses amounted to \$490,122 and \$509,340, which were included in general and administrative expenses in the statements of operations for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Total cash paid for operating leases amounted to \$465,733 and \$580,580 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. In addition, the Company leases certain equipment on a short-term (12 months or less) basis. Total short-term lease expense of \$20,615 and \$14,348 is included in general and administrative expenses for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Supplemental balance sheet information related to operating leases is as follows:

	Decem	December 31, 2023		
Right-of-use assets	<u>\$</u>	548,757	\$	598,508
Lease liabilities - current Lease liabilities - non-current	\$	340,651 220,249	\$	429,687 182,380
Total lease liabilities	\$	560,900	\$	612,067

As of December 31, 2024, the aggregate future minimum rental payments under non-cancelable agreements are as follows:

Maturity of Lease Liabilities	Total		
12 months ending December 31, 2025	\$	353,550	
12 months ending December 31, 2026		156,668	
12 months ending December 30, 2027		68,426	
Total undiscounted lease payments	\$	578,644	
Less: Imputed interest		(17,744)	
Present value of lease liabilities	\$	560,900	
Operating lease liabilities - Current		340,651	
Operating lease liabilities - Non-current	\$	220,249	

## NOTE 18 — DISAGGREGATION OF REVENUE

Selected financial information of the Company's operating revenue for disaggregated revenue purposes by revenue source are as follows: Product sales only represent sales to members, not third parties who are not members.

	Year Ended December 31, 2		Year Ended December 31, 2023		
Membership Fee Product Sales	\$	- \$	12,293 465		
Food and Beverage	1,2	253,577	817,761		
Total	\$ 1,2	\$253,577	830,519		

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## NOTE 19 — CONCENTRATION RISK

The Company maintains cash balances at various financial institutions in different countries. These balances are usually secured by the central banks' insurance companies. At times, these balances may exceed the insurance limits. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, uninsured cash balances were \$6,403,985 and \$21,989,947, respectively.

## Major Suppliers

For the year ended December 31, 2024, five suppliers accounted for approximately over 80% of the Company's total cost of revenue.

For the year ended December 31, 2023, five suppliers accounted for approximately over 54% of the Company's total cost of revenue.

### NOTE 20 — INVESTMENT IN ASSOCIATE AND CONVERTIBLE NOTES RECEIVABLE, RELATED PARTY

Until February 20, 2024, the Company held an equity method investment in a related party, Ketomei, and also had a convertible note receivable with Ketomei. The following table shows the activity of the investment and note during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

		December 3 2023	31,	Ad	lditions		Loss on westment	Ir	npairment		ber 31, 24
Investment in associate, related party		\$	-	\$	14,744	\$	(14,744)	\$	-	\$	-
Convertible note receivable, related party			-		42,328		-		(42,328)		-
Total		\$	-	\$	57,072	\$	(14,744)	\$	(42,328)	\$	-
	Dec	ember 31,				Lo	oss on			Decem	ber 31,
		2022		Additi	ons	inve	stment	Im	pairment	20	23
Investment in associate, related party	\$	155,369	\$		4,128	\$	(33,898)	\$	(125,599)	\$	-
Convertible note receivable, related party		198,125		1	70,174		-		(368,299)		-
Total	\$	353,494	\$	1′	74,302	\$	(33,898)	\$	(493,898)	\$	-

During the year of 2024, the Company impaired convertible note receivable of \$42,328 to \$0 and goodwill of \$323,864 to \$0, which was generated from net asset value during the acquisition. Total impairment expenses were \$366,192.

On February 20, 2024, the Company invested an additional \$312,064 for an additional 38.41% ownership interest in Ketomei by converting \$312,064 of convertible loan. The loan was impaired at the year ended December 31, 2023, therefore, \$312,064 was transferred from impairment of convertible loan to impairment of equity method investment. After this additional investment, the Company owns 55.65% of Ketomei's outstanding shares and Ketomei is consolidated into the financial statements of HWH International Inc. beginning on February 20, 2024.

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company held convertible notes receivable with SHRG. The following table shows the activity of the notes during the year ended December 31, 2024.

	Decem	ber 31,			Net	Unrealized	Dee	cember 31,
	202	23	А	dditions		Losses		2024
Convertible note receivable - related party	\$	-	\$	850,000	\$	105,348	\$	744,652
Total	\$	-	\$	850,000	\$	105,348	\$	744,652

During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Company revalued the convertible note receivable with SHRG of \$850,000 to \$744,652. The total \$379,887 revaluated loss amount was booked in unrealized loss on convertible note receivable – related party and \$287,512 revaluated gain amount was booked in additional paid in capital as this was a related party transaction.

## NOTE 21 — CHANGE IN FISCAL YEAR

In connection with the Business Combination, the Company changed its fiscal year end from November 30 to December 31. The Company reported its audited financial statements on Form 10-K for the year ended November 30, 2023. The Company's financial statement for one month of December 2023, that were not previously reported include expenses related to business combination, ordinary business expenses and investment income.

## HWH INTERNATIONAL INC. (Formerly known as Alset Capital Acquisition Corp.) CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	Dece	mber 31, 2023 (recast)
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$	280,398
Other current assets		100,000
Total current assets		380,398
Cash and marketable securities held in Trust Account		21,346,768
Total assets	\$	21,727,166
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	30,156
Extension Loan – Related Party		205,305
Total current liabilities		235,461
Deferred underwriting compensation		3,018,750
Total liabilities		3,254,211
Commitments and contingencies		-
Temporary equity:		
Class A common stock subject to possible redemption; 395,207 shares (at approximately		
\$53.40 per share) as of December 31, 2023*		21,102,871
Stockholders' deficit:		
Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value; 1,000,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding		-
Class A common stock, \$0.0001 par value; 50,000,000 shares authorized; 94,750 issued and		
outstanding (excluding 395,207 shares subject to possible redemption) as of December 31, 2023*		9
Class B common stock, \$0.0001 par value; 5,000,000 shares authorized; 431,250 shares issued		9
and outstanding as of December 31, 2023*		43
Additional Share Capital		155,974
Accumulated deficit		(2,785,942)
Total stockholders' deficit		(2,629,916)
Total liabilities and stockholders' deficit	\$	21,727,166
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\* The common stock share amounts were adjusted retrospectively to reflect the 5-for-1 reverse stock split on February 24, 2025

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## HWH INTERNATIONAL INC. (Formerly known as Alset Capital Acquisition Corp.) CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Month Ended December 31, 2023 (recast)			
EXPENSES	¢	10.000		
Administration fee - related party	\$	10,000		
General and administrative		(115,724)		
TOTAL EXPENSES		(105,724)		
OTHER INCOME Investment income earned on cash and marketable securities held in Trust Account TOTAL OTHER INCOME		94,130 94,130		
Pre-tax loss		199,853		
Income tax expense		35,372		
Net loss	\$	235,225		

## NOTE 22 — SUBSEQUENT EVENT

#### Public Offering

On January 3, 2025, the Company announced the pricing of its public offering of 3,162,500 shares of common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Shares") and 1,250,000 pre-funded warrants to purchase shares of common stock ("Pre-Funded Warrants"). The Shares and Pre-Funded Warrants were offered at a public offering price of \$0.40 per share and \$0.3999 per Pre-Funded Warrant. The Pre-Funded Warrants were exercisable immediately upon issuance and have an exercise price of \$0.0001 per share. The gross proceeds to the Company from the offering were approximately \$1.76 million, before deducting placement agent fees and other offering expenses of approximately \$355,017.

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The offering was conducted pursuant to the Company's registration statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-282567), which was initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 10, 2024, subsequently amended on October 23, 2024, December 4, 2024, and December 10, 2024, and declared effective on December 19, 2024. The offering closed on January 6, 2025.

D. Boral Capital LLC ("D. Boral Capital") was acting as the exclusive placement agent for the offering. Pursuant to the Placement Agency Agreement, the Company has agreed to pay D. Boral Capital a cash fee equal to 7.5% of the gross proceeds from the offering, a non-accountable expense allowance equal to 1.0% of the gross proceeds, and reimbursement for legal and out-of-pocket expenses up to \$75,000.

#### Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation

On January 8, 2025, the Company amended the text of Section 7.3 of Article VII of the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation with the State of Delaware to permit the stockholders of the Company to take action by majority written consent. This Amendment of the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation was approved by the Company's stockholders at the Company's annual meeting of stockholders on December 12, 2024.

## The Reverse Stock Split

On January 16, 2025, the holders of a majority of the issued and outstanding shares of common stock of the Company, approved by written consent, an amendment of the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to effect a reverse stock split of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, at a ratio of 1-for-5 (the "Reverse Stock Split"). The reverse stock split was effectuated on February 24, 2025.

## Acquisition of L.E.H. Insurance Group, LLC

On November 19, 2024, HWH entered definitive agreements to acquire a controlling 60% interest in L.E.H. Insurance Group, LLC ("LEH"). The acquisition closed on February 27, 2025. This acquisition was facilitated through the purchase of shares from Sharing Services Global Corp. ("SHRG") SHRG sold its 60% interest in LEH to HWH, while the remaining 40% stake was retained by the original owner. However, following this transaction, the original owner sold their 40% interest to SHRG. John Thatch, the Chief Executive Officer of the Company, is also the Chief Executive Officer of both LEH and SHRG. LEH is a licensed insurance agency representing over 600 insurance companies, serving as an independent advisor to businesses and individuals. LEH provides personalized insurance solutions, offering expert guidance to meet the unique coverage needs of each customer. LEH is in the early stages of its development, has no employees on its payroll, and has yet to turn a profit.

#### Securities Purchase Agreement with SHRG

On March 31, 2025, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement with Sharing Services Global Corporation ("SHRG"), pursuant to which SHRG issued a convertible promissory note to the Company in the amount of \$150,000, the indebtedness thereunder being convertible into SHRG common stock at \$0.80 per share at HWH's option until maturity of the convertible note three (3) years from the date of the securities purchase agreement. Further, SHRG granted the Company warrants exercisable into 937,500 shares of SHRG common stock, the exercise period of the warrants being three (3) years from the date of the securities purchase agreement at an exercise price of \$0.85 per share.

#### Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.

Not Applicable.

## Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.

## **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

In connection with the preparation of our Report on Form 10-K, an evaluation was carried out by management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act) as of December 31, 2024. Disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

During evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures as of December 31, 2024, conducted as part of our annual audit and preparation of our annual financial statements, management conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operations of our disclosure controls and procedures and concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were ineffective for those reasons set forth below.

#### Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements included in this Annual Report. The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and reflect management's judgment and estimates concerning effects of events and transactions that are accounted for or disclosed.

Management is also responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. Our internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that pertain to our ability to record, process, summarize and report reliable data. Management recognizes that there are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of any internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of internal control. Accordingly, even effective internal control over financial reporting can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement presentation. Further, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting may vary over time.

In order to ensure that our internal control over financial reporting is effective, management regularly assesses controls and did so most recently for its financial reporting as of December 31, 2024. This assessment was based on criteria for effective internal control over financial reporting described in the Internal Control Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations (COSO) of the Treadway Commission. In connection with management's evaluation of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2024, management determined that the following issues constitute as material weakness:

- The Company has limited accounting personnel, and as such, is unable to properly segregate duties relating to the Company's internal controls over financial reporting.
- Additionally, well-defined accounting policies and procedures have not been established and many financial close procedures, including period-end review and reconciliations, did not occur on a timely basis or failed to identify material adjustments.

This Annual Report filed on Form 10-K does not include an attestation report of the Company's registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by our registered public accounting firm pursuant to temporary rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission that permit us to provide only management's report in this Annual Report.

## **Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

We continue taking steps to enhance and improve the design of our internal controls over financial reporting. During the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K, we have not been able to completely remediate the material weaknesses identified above. To remediate such weaknesses, we plan to appoint additional qualified personnel with financial accounting, U.S. GAAP, and SEC experience.

#### Item 9B. Other Information.

#### Insider Trading Arrangements

During the quarterly period ended December 31, 2024, none of our directors or officers (as defined in Rule 16a-1(f) promulgated under the Exchange Act) adopted or terminated any "Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement" or any "non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement," as each term is defined in Item 408 of Regulation S-K.

### Item 9C. Disclosure Regarding Foreign Jurisdictions that Prevent Inspections

## None.

## PART III

### Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.

## **Identification of Directors and Executive Officers**

The name, age and position of our officers and directors are set forth below:

Name	Age	Position(s)
Heng Fai Ambrose Chan	80	Executive Chairman, Director
John "J.T." Thatch	63	Chief Executive Officer
Rongguo (Ronald) Wei	53	Chief Financial Officer
Lim Sheng Hon Danny	33	Chief Operating Officer
William Wu	58	Independent Director
Wong Shui Yeung	54	Independent Director
Wong Tat Keung	54	Independent Director

The mailing address for each of the officers and directors named above is c/o of the Company at: 4800 Montgomery Lane, Suite 210, Bethesda, MD 20814.

#### **Business Experience**

Heng Fai Ambrose Chan. Mr. Chan has served as our Chairman since October 2021 and served as our Chief Executive Officer from October 2021 to January 2024. Mr. Chan is an expert in banking and finance, with 45 years of experience in these industries. He has restructured numerous companies in various industries and countries during the past 40 years. Mr. Chan has served as a director of Alset International Limited, an SGX listed company, since May 2013, has served as its Chief Executive Officer since April 2014 and has served as its Chairman of the Board since June 2017. Mr. Chan has served as a director of Hapi Metaverse Inc. since October 2014 and as Chairman since July 2021. Mr. Chan has served as a director of DSS, Inc., an NYSE listed company, since January 2017 and has served as its Chairman of the Board since December 2017. Mr. Chan has served as a director of DSS, Inc., an NYSE listed company, since January 2017 and has served as its Chairman of the Board since March 2019. Mr. Chan is the founder of Alset Inc., a Nasdaq listed company, the majority shareholder of the Company and has served as its Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer since its inception in March 2018. Mr. Chan has served as director of Sharing Services Global Corporation, an OTC Pink listed company, since April 2020 and has served as its Chairman of the Board since July 2021. Mr. Chan has served as its Chairman of the Board since April 2020 and has served as its Chairman of the Board since July 2021. Mr. Chan has served as its Chairman of the Board since April 2020 and has served as its Chairman of the Board since July 2021 and has served as its Chairman of the Board since July 2021. Mr. Chan has served as its Chairman of the Board since July 2021. Mr. Chan has served as its Chairman of the Board since July 2021. Mr. Chan has served as its Chairman of the Board since July 2021. Mr. Chan has served as its Chairman of the Board since July 2021. Mr. Chan has served as its Chairman of the Board since July 2021. Mr. Chan has served

Mr. Chan was the Executive Chairman of China Gas Holdings Limited, an HKSE listed company, an investor and operator of municipal gas pipeline infrastructure in China from 1997 to 2002. Mr. Chan served as director of Heng Fai Enterprises Limited (now known as Zensun Enterprises Limited), an HKSE listed company, an investment holding company, from September 1992 to 2015, and as the Managing Chairman from 1995 to 2015. Mr. Chan was the Managing Director of SingHaiyi Group Ltd. (now known as SingHaiyi Group Pte. Ltd.), a Singapore property development company formerly listed on the SGX, from March 2003 to September 2013. Mr. Chan served as a director of Skywest Ltd., a public Australian airline company from 2005 to 2006. Mr. Chan served as a director of Holista CollTech Ltd., an ASX listed company, from July 2013 until June 2021. Mr. Chan served as a director of Global Medical REIT Inc., an NYSE listed company, a healthcare facility real estate company, from December 2013 to July 2015. Mr. Chan served as a director of RSI International Systems, Inc. (now known as ARCpoint Inc.), a TSXV listed company, the developer of RoomKeyPMS, a web-based property management system, from June 2014 to February 2019.

Mr. Chan leads the board and guides our company. Mr. Chan brings extensive knowledge to our company and a deep background in growth companies, emerging markets, mergers and acquisitions, and capital market activities. The board of directors appointed Mr. Chan in recognition of his abilities to assist the Company in expanding its business and the contributions he can make to the Company's strategic direction.

John "JT" Thatch. Mr. Thatch has served as HWH's Chief Executive Officer since January 9, 2024. Mr. Thatch has also served as a director of DSS, Inc., a NYSE traded company, from May 2019 to October 2023, during which time he was their Lead Independent Director. Mr. Thatch is an accomplished, energetic, entrepreneur-minded executive who has the vision and knowledge to create growth and shareholder value for any organization. Mr. Thatch has successfully started, owned and operated several sized businesses in various industries, including service, retail, wholesale, on-line learning, finance, real estate management and technology companies. Since March 2018, Mr. Thatch has served as the President, Chief Executive Officer and Vice Chairman of Sharing Services Global Corporation, a publicly traded holding company focused in the direct selling and marketing industry. He is a minority member of Superior Wine & Spirits, a Florida-based wholesale company since February of 2016. Mr. Thatch served as Chief Executive Officer of Universal Education Strategies, Inc. from January 2009 to January 2016, an organization involved in the development and sales of educational products and services. From 2000 to 2005, he was the Chief Executive Officer of Onscreen Technologies, Inc., currently listed on NASDAQ as Orbital Energy Group "OEG", once a global leader in the development of cutting-edge thermal management technologies for integrated LED technologies, circuits, superconductors and solar energy solutions. Mr. Thatch was responsible for all aspects of the company including board and stockholder communications, public reporting and compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley, structuring and management expension initiatives for all corporate products and services. Mr. Thatch's public company financial and management expension in the strategic growth and development of various companies qualify him to serve as Chief Executive Officer of HWH.

**Rongguo (Ronald) Wei.** Mr. Wei has served as our Chief Financial Officer since October of 2021. Mr. Wei is a finance professional with more than 15 years of experience working in public and private corporations in the United States. As the Co-Chief Financial Officer of Alset Inc., the majority shareholder of Alset International Limited, HWH's owner, and Chief Financial Officer of SeD Development Management LLC, Mr. Wei is responsible for oversight of all finance, accounting, reporting and taxation activities for those companies. Prior to joining SeD Development Management LLC in August 2016, Mr. Wei worked for several different U.S. multinational and private companies including serving as Controller at American Silk Mill, LLC, a textile manufacturing and distribution company, from August 2014 to July 2016, serving as a Senior Financial Analyst at Air Products & Chemicals, Inc., a manufacturing company, from January 2013 to June 2014, and serving as a Financial/Accounting Analyst at First Quality Enterprise, Inc., a personal products company, from 2011 to 2012. Mr. Wei served as a member of the Board Directors of Amarantus Bioscience Holdings, Inc., a biotech company, from February to May 2017, and has served as Chief Financial Officer of that company from February 2017 until November 2017. Before Mr. Wei came to the United States, he worked as an equity analyst at Hong Yuan Securities, an investment bank in Beijing, China, concentrating on industrial and public company research and analysis. Mr. Wei is a certified public accountant and received his Master of Business Administration from the University of Maryland and a Master of Business Taxation from the University of Minnesota. Mr. Wei also holds a Master in Business degree from Tsinghua University and a Bachelor's degree from Beihang University.

Lim Sheng Hon Danny. Mr. Lim was appointed Chief Operating Officer of HWH in February 2024 and also serves as Chief Strategy Officer of the Company. Mr. Lim has served as Senior Vice President, Business Development and as Executive Director of Alset International Limited, an SGX listed company since 2020. Mr. Lim has served as a director of Alset Inc., a Nasdaq listed company, the majority shareholder of the Company, since October 2022. Mr. Lim has served as a director of DSS, Inc., an NYSE listed company, since October 2023. Mr. Lim has served as a director of Value Exchange International Inc., an OTCQB listed company, since December 2023.

Mr. Lim has over 8 years of experience in business development, merger & acquisitions, corporate restructuring and strategic planning and execution. Mr. Lim manages business development efforts, focusing on corporate strategic planning, merger and acquisition and capital markets activities. Mr. Lim oversees and ensures executional efficiency, and facilitates implementation of the Group's strategies by internal and external stakeholders. Mr. Lim liaises with corporate partners or investment prospects for potential working/investment collaborations, and operational subsidiaries locally and overseas to augment a close parent-subsidiary working relationship. Mr. Lim graduated from Singapore Nanyang Technological University with a Bachelor's Degree with Honors in Business, specializing in Banking and Finance.

We have also assembled a group of independent directors who will provide public company governance, executive leadership, operational oversight, private equity investment management and capital markets experience. Included in this group is William Wu, Wong Shui Yeung (Frankie) and Wong Tat Keung (Aston).

William Wu. Mr. Wu has served as a member of our Board of Directors since January of 2022. Mr. Wu previously served as the Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of Power Financial Group Limited from November 2017 to January 2019. Mr. Wu has served on the Board of Directors of Alset Inc. since November of 2020. Mr. Wu has served as an independent non-executive director of JY Grandmark Holdings Limited since November 2019. Mr. Wu has served as a member of the Board of Directors of DSS, Inc. since October of 2019. Mr. Wu has served as a Director of Asia Allied Infrastructure Holdings Limited since February 2015. Mr. Wu previously served as a Director and Chief Executive Officer of RHB Hong Kong Limited from April 2011 to October 2017. Mr. Wu served as the Chief Executive Officer of SW Kingsway Capital Holdings Limited (now known as Sunwah Kingsway Capital Holdings Limited) from April 2006 to September 2010. Mr. Wu holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree and a Master of Business Administration degree of Simon Fraser University in Canada. He was qualified as a Chartered Financial Analyst of The Institute of Chartered Financial Analysts in 1996.

Mr. Wu previously worked for a number of international investment banks and possesses over 28 years of experience in the investment banking, capital markets, institutional broking and direct investment businesses. He is a registered license holder to carry out Type 6 (advising on corporate finance) and Type 9 (asset management) regulated activities under the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong). We believe that Mr. Wu's knowledge of complex, cross-border financial matters is highly relevant to our business and qualifies him to serve as an independent member of the board.

Mr. Wu demonstrates extensive knowledge of complex, cross-border financial matters highly relevant to our business, making him well-qualified to serve as an independent member of the board. Mr. Wu serves on our Audit Committee and Compensation Committee.

Wong Shui Yeung (Frankie). Mr. Wong has served as a member of our Board of Directors since January of 2022. Mr. Wong is a practicing member and fellow of Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. He holds a bachelor's degree in business administration. He has over 25 years' experience in accounting, auditing, corporate finance, corporate investment and development, and company secretarial practice. Mr. Wong has served as a director of Alset Inc. and DSS Inc. since November 2021 and July 2022, respectively, the shares of which are listed on NASDAQ and NYSE, respectively, and Value Exchange International, Inc. since April 2022, the shares of which are listed on the OTCQB. He has served as an independent non-executive director of Alset International Limited since June 2017, the shares of which are listed on the Catalist Board of the Singapore Stock Exchange and First Credit Finance Group Limited since February 2024, the shares of which are listed on the GEM Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. Mr. Wong was an Independent Non-Executive Director of SMI Holdings Group Limited from April 2017 to December 2020 and SMI Culture & Travel Group Holdings Limited from December 2019 to November 2020, the shares of which were listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Mr. Wong's knowledge of complex, cross-border financial, accounting and tax matters highly relevant to our business, as well as working experience in internal corporate controls, qualify him to serve as an independent member of the board. Mr. Wong serves on our Audit Committee and Compensation Committee.

Wong Tat Keung (Aston). Mr. Wong has served as a member of our Board of Directors since January of 2022. Mr. Wong has over 20 years' experience in audit, accounting, taxation and business advisory. Since 2010, Mr. Wong has served as the director of Aston Wong CPA Limited. He has been an independent non-executive director of Alset International since January 2017, and a director of Alset Inc. since November 2020. Mr. Wong has been an independent non-executive director of Roma Group Limited, a valuation and technical advisory firm, since March 2016, and has served as an independent non-executive director of Roma Group Limited, a valuation and technical advisory firm, since March 2016, and has served as an independent non-executive director of Lerthai Group Limited, a property, investment, management and development company, since December 2018. Previously, he served as the director and sole proprietor of Aston Wong & Co., a registered certified public accounting firm, from January 2006 to February 2010. From January 2005 to December 2005, he was a Partner at Aston Wong, Chan & Co., Certified Public Accountants. From April 2003 to December 2004, he served at Gary Cheng & Co., Certified Public Accountants as Audit Senior. He served as an Audit Junior to Supervisor of Hui Sik Wing & Co., certified public accountants from April 1993 to December 1999. He served as an independent non-executive director of SingHaiyi from July 2009 to July 2013 and ZH Holdings from December 2009 to July 2015. Mr. Wong is a Certified Public Accountants. He holds a Master in Business Administration degree (financial services) from the University of Greenwich, London, England.



Mr. Wong demonstrates extensive knowledge of complex, cross-border financial, accounting and tax matters highly relevant to our business, as well as working experience in internal corporate controls, making him well-qualified to serve as an independent member of the board. Mr. Wong serves on our Audit Committee and Compensation Committee.

## **Family Relationships**

There are no family relationships among the officers and directors, nor are there any arrangements or understanding between any of the directors or officers of the Company.

#### Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

To our knowledge, no director, officer or beneficial owner of more than ten percent of any class of our equity securities, failed to file on a timely basis reports required by Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024.

### **Code of Ethics**

We adopted a code of ethics on January 31, 2022, that applies to our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller or persons performing similar functions.

### **Corporate Governance**

There have been no changes in any state law or other procedures by which security holders may recommend nominees to our board of directors. We do not have a standing nominating committee though we intend to form a corporate governance and nominating committee.

## **Insider Trading Policy**

On March 18, 2025 we adopted an insider trading policy and procedures governing the purchase, sale, and/or other dispositions of our securities by directors, officers and employees, which are reasonably designed to promote compliance with insider trading laws, rules and regulations, and applicable Nasdaq listing standards (the "Insider Trading Policy").

The foregoing description of the Insider Trading Policy does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the terms and conditions of the Insider Trading Policy, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 19.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

## **Board Committees**

Our Board of Directors has an Audit Committee and a Compensation Committee. Each of these committees is currently composed of Wong Tat Keung, William Wu and Wong Shui Yeung.

Our Audit Committee and Compensation Committee will each comply with the listing requirements of the Nasdaq Marketplace Rules. At least one member of the Audit Committee will be an "audit committee financial expert," as that term is defined in Item 407(d)(5)(ii) of Regulation S-K, and each member will be "independent" as that term is defined in Rule 5605(a) of the Nasdaq Marketplace Rules. Our Board of Directors has determined that each of Wong Tat Keung, William Wu and Wong Shui Yeung is independent.

#### **Involvement in Certain Legal Proceedings**

None of our directors, executive officers and control persons/promoters has been involved in any of the following events during the past ten years:

 Any bankruptcy petition filed by or against any business of which such person was a general partner or executive officer either at the time of the bankruptcy or within two years prior to that time,



- Any conviction in a criminal proceeding or being subject to any pending criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations and other minor offenses);
- Being subject to any order, judgment or decree, not subsequently reversed, suspended or vacated, of any court of competent jurisdiction, permanently or temporarily enjoining, barring, suspending or otherwise limiting his or her involvement in any type of business, securities or banking activities; or
- Being found by a court of competent jurisdiction (in a civil action), the Commission or the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to have violated a federal or state securities or commodities law, and the judgment has not been reversed, suspended, or vacated.

## **Conflicts of Interest**

In general, officers and directors of a corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware are required to present business opportunities to a corporation if:

- the corporation could financially undertake the opportunity;
- the opportunity is within the corporation's line of business; and
- it would not be fair to the corporation and its stockholders for the opportunity not to be brought to the attention of the corporation.

The Company's Audit Committee, pursuant to its written charter, is responsible for reviewing and approving related-party transactions to the extent the Company enters into such transactions. The Audit Committee will consider all relevant factors when determining whether to approve a related party transaction, including whether the related party transaction is on terms no less favorable to the Company than terms generally available from an unaffiliated third-party under the same or similar circumstances and the extent of the related party's interest in the transaction. No director may participate in the approval of any transaction in which he is a related party, but that director is required to provide the Audit Committee with all material information concerning the transaction. The Company also requires each of its directors and executive officers to complete a directors' and officers' questionnaire that elicits information about related party transactions.

These procedures are intended to determine whether any such related party transaction impairs the independence of a director or presents a conflict of interest on the part of a director, employee or officer.

As a result of the relationship between HWH Nevada and the Company, the Company obtained a fairness opinion in connection with the board's approval of the Agreement and Plan of Merger with HWH Nevada.

### Item 11. Executive Compensation.

None of our executive officers has received any cash compensation for services rendered to us. We agreed to pay to Alset Management Group Inc. a total of \$10,000 per month for office space, utilities and secretarial and administrative support. Upon completion of the Business Combination, we ceased paying these monthly fees. No compensation of any kind, including any finder's fee, reimbursement, consulting fee or monies in respect of any payment of a loan, was paid by us to our Sponsor, officers or directors or any affiliate of our Sponsor, officers or directors, prior to, or in connection with any services rendered in order to effectuate, the consummation of the Business Combination (regardless of the type of transaction that it is). However, these individuals were reimbursed for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with activities on our behalf such as identifying potential target businesses and performing due diligence on suitable business combinations. Our Audit Committee reviews on a quarterly basis all payments that were made to our Sponsor, officers or directors or our or their affiliates. Any such payments prior to the Business Combination were made using funds held outside the Trust Account. Other than quarterly Audit Committee's review of such payments, we do not expect to have any additional controls in place governing our reimbursement payments to our directors and executive officers for their out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with identifying and consummating the Business Combination.

After the completion of the Business Combination, directors or members of our management team who remained with the Company may be paid consulting or management fees, or other fees, from the Company. We have not established any limit on the amount of such fees that may be paid by the Company to our directors or members of management. No compensation has been paid to the Company's Chairman for his services. In 2024 we set the cash compensation for our three independent directors at \$10,000 per year, to be paid in quarterly increments of \$2,500 beginning with the quarter which ended on March 31, 2024.

#### **Director Compensation**

The following table sets forth the cash and non-cash compensation awarded to or earned by the members of our Board of Directors during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024:

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Name	Dire	ctors' Fee	Salary	Consultation	Bonus	Com	pensation
Wong Tat Keung	\$	10,000				\$	10,000
William Wu	\$	10,000				\$	10,000
Wong Shui Yeung	\$	10,000				\$	10,000
Chan Heng Fai	\$	-				\$	-

## **Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year-End**

There were no grants of stock options through the date of this report.

We do not have any long-term incentive plans that provide compensation intended to serve as incentive for performance.

The board of directors of the Company has not adopted a stock option plan. The Company has no plans to adopt it but may choose to do so in the future. If such a plan is adopted, this may be administered by the board or a committee appointed by the board (the "Committee"). The Committee would have the power to modify, extend or renew outstanding options and to authorize the grant of new options in substitution therefore, provided that any such action may not impair any rights under any option previously granted. The Company may develop an incentive-based stock option plan for its officers and directors.

## **Stock Awards Plan**

The Company has not adopted a Stock Awards Plan but may do so in the future. The terms of any such plan have not been determined.

## Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters.

## Security Ownership

The following table and accompanying footnotes set forth certain information with respect to the beneficial ownership of our common stock as of March 31, 2025, referred to in the table below as the "Beneficial Ownership Date," by:

- each person who is known to be the beneficial owner of 5% or more of the outstanding shares of our common stock;
- each member of our board of directors, director nominees and each of our named executive officers individually; and
- all of our directors, director nominees and executive officers as a group.

Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC. In computing the number of shares beneficially owned by a person and the percentage ownership of that person, shares of common stock subject to stock options or warrants held by that person that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of the Beneficial Ownership Date and shares of restricted stock subject to vesting until the occurrence of certain events, are deemed outstanding, but are not deemed outstanding for computing the percentage ownership of any other person (however, neither the stockholder nor the directors and officers listed below own any stock options or warrants to purchase shares of our common stock at the present time). The percentages of beneficial ownership are based on 6,476,400 shares of HWH International Inc. Common Stock outstanding as of the Beneficial Ownership Date.

To our knowledge, except as set forth in the footnotes to this table and subject to applicable community property laws, each person named in the table has sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares set forth opposite such person's name.

Name and Address	Number of Common Shares Beneficially Owned	Percentage of Outstanding Common Shares (1)
Directors and Executive Officers (2):		
Heng Fai Ambrose Chan (3)(4)	5,067,334	78.2%
John "JT" Thatch	0	0.00%
Rongguo (Ronald) Wei	0	0.00%
Lim Sheng Hon Danny	0	0.00%
William Wu	0	0.00%
Wong Shui Yeung	0	0.00%
Wong Tat Keung	0	0.00%
All Directors and Officers (7 individuals)	5,067,334	78.2%
Alset Acquisition Sponsor, LLC (3)	535,475	5.5%
Alset International Limited	1,991,669	30.8%
Alset Inc. (3)	5,064,734	78.2%
Other Stockholders: None		

(1) Based upon 6,476,400 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of March 31, 2025.

(2) The mailing address for each individual and entity set forth above is c/o HWH International Inc., 4800 Montgomery Lane, Suite 210, MD 20814.

(3) Alset Acquisition Sponsor, LLC, our Sponsor, is the record holder of the securities reported herein. Alset Inc. and Alset International Limited are the owners of 55% and 45% respectively of Alset Acquisition Sponsor, LLC. Alset Inc. owns 85.5% of Alset International Limited. Heng Fai Ambrose Chan is the Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Majority Stockholder of Alset Inc. Mr. Chan may be deemed to share beneficial ownership of the securities held of record by our Sponsor. Mr. Chan disclaims any such beneficial ownership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

(4) Heng Fai Ambrose Chan directly owns 2,600 shares of HWH International Inc.

### Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence.

### **Family Relationships**

Not applicable.

## Policies and Procedures for Transactions with Related Persons

Following the Business Combination, the Company's Code of Ethics was amended to require it to avoid, wherever possible, all related party transactions that could result in actual or potential conflicts of interests, except under guidelines approved by the Board (or the Audit Committee). Related-party transactions are defined as transactions in which (1) the aggregate amount involved will or may be expected to exceed \$120,000 in any calendar year, (2) the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a participant, and (3) any (a) executive officer, director or nominee for election as a director, (b) greater than 4% beneficial owner of the Company Common Stock, or (c) immediate family member of the persons referred to in clauses (a) and (b), has or will have a direct or indirect material interest (other than solely as a result of being a director or a less than 10% beneficial owner of another entity). A conflict-of-interest situation can arise when a person takes actions or has interests that may make it difficult to perform his or her work objectively and effectively. Conflicts of interest may also arise if a person, or a member of his or her family, receives improper personal benefits as a result of his or her position.

The Company's Audit Committee, pursuant to its written charter, is responsible for reviewing and approving related-party transactions to the extent the Company enters into such transactions. The Audit Committee will consider all relevant factors when determining whether to approve a related party transaction, including whether the related party transaction is on terms no less favorable to the Company than terms generally available from an unaffiliated third-party under the same or similar circumstances and the extent of the related party's interest in the transaction. No director may participate in the approval of any transaction in which he is a related party, but that director is required to provide the Audit Committee with all material information concerning the transaction. The Company also requires each of its directors and executive officers to complete a directors' and officers' questionnaire that elicits information about related party transactions.

These procedures are intended to determine whether any such related party transaction impairs the independence of a director or presents a conflict of interest on the part of a director, employee or officer.

As a result of the relationship between the Company and HWH Nevada, the Company obtained a fairness opinion in connection with the board's approval of the Agreement and plan of Merger with HWH Nevada.

### Transactions with Related Persons, Promoters, and Certain Control Persons

### Founder Shares

On November 8, 2021, the Sponsor received 2,156,250 shares of the Company's Class B common stock (the "Founder Shares") for \$25,000. The Founder Shares include an aggregate of up to 281,250 shares subject to forfeiture to the extent that the underwriters' over-allotment is not exercised in full or in part, so that the number of Founder Shares will equal, on an as-converted basis, to approximately 20% of the Company's issued and outstanding shares of common stock after the Initial Public Offering (excluding the placement units and underlying securities). In connection with the exercise of the underwriters' overallotment option, these shares are no longer subject to forfeiture.

The holder of the Founder Shares have agreed, subject to limited exceptions, not to transfer, assign or sell any of the Founder Shares until the earlier to occur of: (A) one year after the completion of a Business Combination and (B) subsequent to a Business Combination, (x) if the last reported sale price of the Class A common stock equals or exceeds \$12.00 per share (as adjusted for stock splits, stock capitalizations, reorganizations, recapitalizations and the like) for any 20 trading days within any 30-trading day period commencing at least 150 days after a Business Combination, or (y) the date on which the Company completes a liquidation, merger, capital stock exchange or other similar transaction that results in all of the Public Stockholders having the right to exchange their shares of common stock for cash, securities or other property.



#### Advances from Related Party

The Sponsor paid certain offering costs on behalf of the Company and advanced working capital to the Company. These advances are due on demand and are non-interest bearing. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Sponsor paid a total of \$33,475 of operating costs on behalf of the Company. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company repaid the outstanding balance. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, \$0 and \$0 was due to the related party, respectively.

## General and Administrative Services

The Company agreed to pay the Alset Management Group Inc. a total of \$10,000 per month for office space, utilities and secretarial and administrative support for up to 24 months commencing on the date the Units were first listed on the Nasdaq. Upon completion of the Business Combination the Company ceased paying these monthly fees. During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company recorded a charge of \$0 and \$120,000, respectively, to the statement of operations pursuant to the agreement.

#### Related Party Loans

## Working Capital Loans

In order to finance transaction costs in connection with a Business Combination, the Sponsor or an affiliate of the Sponsor, or certain of the Company's officers and directors were permitted to, but were not obligated to, loan the Company funds as may be required ("Working Capital Loans"). Such Working Capital Loans would be evidenced by promissory notes. The notes were to be repaid upon completion of a Business Combination, without interest, or, at the lender's discretion, up to \$1,500,000 of the notes may be converted upon completion of a Business Combination into units at a price of \$10.00 per unit. Such units would be identical to the Private Placement Units. The Business Combination has closed, and there are no amounts outstanding under these Working Capital Loans. No amounts were converted into the units at the Business Combination.

### Extension Loan

On May 1, 2023, the Company amended the Investment Management Trust Agreement (the "Trust Agreement") with Wilmington Trust, National Association, a national banking association, which was entered into on January 31, 2022. On May 2, 2023 the Company filed an Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation. The Trust Agreement and Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation were amended, in part, so that the Company's ability to complete a business combination was extended in additional increments of one month up to a total of twenty-one (21) additional months from the closing date of the Offering, subject to the payment into the Trust Account by the Company of one-third of 1% of the funds remaining in the Trust Account following any redemptions in connection with the approval of the amendment to the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation. The Sponsor funded the first 30-day extension payment on May 3, 2023. The Sponsor also made subsequent extension payments on June 5<sup>th</sup> and July 6<sup>th</sup> of \$68,928 and \$69,158, respectively. The Sponsor was entitled to the repayment of these extension payments, without interest. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023 there was \$0 and \$205,305 outstanding under the extension loan, respectively.

#### Due To Alset Inc.

Alset Inc ("AEI") is our ultimate holding company that is incorporated in the United States of America. The amount due to AEI represents short-term working capital advances to the Company for its daily operations. There is no written, executed agreement and no financial/non-financial covenants and the amount due to AEI is non-interest bearing. Since the amount due to AEI is due upon request, it is classified as a current liability. The amounts due to AEI at December 31, 2024 and 2023 are \$209,614 and \$202,645 respectively.

On April 24, 2024, the Company entered into a Credit Facility Agreement (the "Credit Agreement") with Alset Inc., pursuant to which AEI has provided the Company a line of credit facility (the "Credit Facility") which provides a maximum, aggregate credit line of up to \$1,000,000.



Pursuant to the Credit Agreement, the Company may request an advance (each, an "Advance") on the Credit Facility. Each Advance shall bear a simple interest rate of three percent (3%) per annum. Each Advance and all accrued but unpaid interest shall be due and payable at the first (1<sup>st</sup>) anniversary of the effective date of the Credit Agreement. The Company may at any time during the term of the Credit Agreement prepay a portion or all amounts of its indebtedness without penalty. Each Advance shall not be secured by a lien or other encumbrance on any of the Company's assets, but shall be solely a general unsecured debt obligation of the Company. On September 24, 2024 the Company drew \$300,000 from the credit line and accrued \$3,164 in interest. On December 31, 2024, \$3,164 of the interest remained outstanding.

On September 24, 2024, the Company entered into a Debt Conversion Agreement (the "AEI Conversion") with Alset Inc., pursuant to which a debt of \$300,000 due to AEI was converted into shares of the Company's common stock at a price per share of \$0.63 for a total of 476,190 shares.

#### Due to Alset International Limited

Alset International Limited ("AIL") is incorporated in Singapore and is a fellow subsidiary of the common parent company, Alset Inc. The amount due to AIL represents short-term working capital advances to the Company for its daily operations. There is no written, executed agreement and no financial/non-financial covenants and the amount due to AIL is non-interest bearing. Since the amount due to AIL is due upon request, it is classified as a current liability. The amounts due to AIL at December 31, 2024 and 2023 are \$5,096,047 and \$1,729,901, respectively.

On September 24, 2024, the Company entered into a Debt Conversion Agreement (the "AIL Conversion") with Alset International Limited, pursuant to which a debt of \$3,501,759 due to AIL was converted into shares of the Company's common stock at a price per share of \$0.63 for a total of 5,558,347 shares.

### Due to Alset Business Development Pte. Limited

Alset Business Development Pte. Limited ("ABD") is incorporated in Singapore and is a fellow subsidiary of the common parent company, Alset Inc. The amount due to ABD represents amount loaned by ABD to Hapi Cafe Inc. for the investment in Ketomei Pte. Ltd ("Ketomei") in March 2022, and also represents amount loaned HWHPL to ABD in November 2024. There is no written, executed agreement and no financial/non-financial covenants and the amount due to ABD is non-interest bearing. Since the amount due to ABD is due upon request, it is classified as a current liability. The amount due from ABD at December 31, 2024 is \$4,113,701 and amount due to ABD at December 31, 2023 is \$184,507.

#### Due to BMI Capital Partners International Limited

BMI Capital Partners International Limited ("BMI") is incorporated in Hong Kong and is a fellow subsidiary of the common parent company, Alset Inc. The amount due to BMI represents short-term working capital advances to the Company for its daily operations. There is no written, executed agreement and no financial/non-financial covenants and the amount due to BMI is non-interest bearing. Since the amount due to BMI is due upon request, it is classified as a current liability. The amounts due to BMI at December 31, 2024 and 2023 are \$0 and \$1,442, respectively.

#### Related Party Transactions

On August 31, 2023, Hapi Café Inc. and Ketomei Pte. Ltd. entered into a binding term sheet pursuant to which HCI agreed to lend Ketomei up to \$36,634 pursuant to a convertible loan, with a term of 12 months. After the initial 12 months, the interest on such loan will be 3.5%. This loan was written off upon the acquisition of Ketomei in February 2024.

On October 26, 2023, the same parties entered into another binding term sheet pursuant to which HCI agreed to lend Ketomei up to \$37,876 pursuant to a non- convertible loan, with a term of 12 months. After the initial 12 months, the interest on such loan will be 3.5%. This loan was written off upon the acquisition of Ketomei in February 2024.



On February 20, 2024, the Company invested additional \$312,064 for an additional 38.41% ownership interest in Ketomei by converting \$312,064 of convertible loan. The loan was impaired at the year ended December 31, 2023, therefore, \$312,064 was transferred from impairment of convertible loan to impairment of equity method investment. After this additional investment, the Company owns 55.65% of Ketomei's outstanding shares and Ketomei is consolidated into the financial statements of the Company beginning on February 20, 2024.

On March 20, 2024, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement with Sharing Services Global Corporation ("SHRG"), pursuant to which the Company purchased from SHRG a (i) Convertible Promissory Note ("CN 1") in the amount of \$250,000, convertible into 208,333,333 shares of SHRG's common stock at the option of the Company, and (ii) certain warrants exercisable into 208,333,333 shares of SHRG's common stock at the exercise period of the warrant being five (5) years from the date of the securities purchase agreement, for an aggregate purchase price of \$250,000. At the time of filing, the Company has not converted any of the debt contemplated by CN 1 nor exercised any of the warrants.

On May 9, 2024, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement with Sharing Services Global Corporation, pursuant to which the Company purchased from SHRG a Convertible Promissory Note ("CN 2") in the amount of \$250,000, convertible into 125,000,000 shares of SHRG's common stock at the option of the Company for an aggregate purchase price of \$250,000. CN 2 bears an 8% interest rate and has a scheduled maturity three years from the date of the CN 2. Additionally, upon signing CN 2, SHRG owed the Company a commitment fee of 8% of the principal amount, \$20,000 in total, to be paid either in cash or in common stock of SHRG, at the discretion of the Company.

On June 6, 2024, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement with Sharing Services Global Corporation, pursuant to which the Company purchased from SHRG a Convertible Promissory Note ("CN 3") in the amount of \$250,000, convertible into 125,000,000 shares of SHRG's common stock at the option of the Company for an aggregate purchase price of \$250,000. CN 3 bears an 8% interest rate and has a scheduled maturity three years from the date of the CN 3. Additionally, upon signing CN 3, SHRG owed the Company a commitment fee of 8% of the principal amount, \$20,000 in total, to be paid either in cash or in common stock of SHRG, at the discretion of the Company.

On August 13, 2024, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement with Sharing Services Global Corporation, pursuant to which the Company purchased from SHRG a Convertible Promissory Note ("CN 4") in the amount of \$100,000, convertible into 50,000,000 shares of SHRG's common stock at the option of the Company for an aggregate purchase price of \$100,000. CN 4 bears an 8% interest rate and has a scheduled maturity three years from the date of the CN 4. Additionally, upon signing CN 4, SHRG owed the Company a commitment fee of 8% of the principal amount, \$8,000 in total, to be paid either in cash or in common stock of SHRG, at the discretion of the Company.

SHRG is a related party of our Company, as our stockholders Alset Inc. and Alset International Limited, in addition to certain entities affiliated with them, are significant stockholders of SHRG, and our Chief Executive Officer and Chairman are also the Chief Executive Officer and Chairman, respectively, of SHRG.

## Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services

The following table indicates the fees paid by us for services performed for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	ar Ended ber 31, 2024	ear Ended nber 31, 2023
Audit Fees	\$ 283,563	\$ 193,170
Audit-Related Fees	\$ 115,594	\$ 50,861
Tax Fees	\$ -	\$ -
All Other Fees	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ 398,157	\$ 244,031

Audit Fees. This category includes the aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered by the independent auditors during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 for the audit of our consolidated financial statements and review of previous years' Form 10-Qs.

Tax Fees. This category includes the aggregate fees billed for tax services rendered in the preparation of our federal and state income tax returns.

All Other Fees. This category includes the aggregate fees billed for all other services, exclusive of the fees disclosed above, rendered during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

## PART IV

## Item 15. Exhibit and Financial Statement Schedules

(a)(1) List of Financial statements included in Part II hereof:

Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 (recast) Consolidated Statements of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 (recast) Consolidated Statements of Changes in Stockholders' Deficit for the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 (recast) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 (recast)

(a)(2) List of Financial Statement schedules included in Part IV hereof:

None.

(a)(3) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed with this report or incorporated by reference:

Exhibit No.	Description
1.1	Underwriting Agreement, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.1 of the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the SEC on
	February 8, 2022
2.1	Merger Agreement dated September 9, 2022 by and among Alset Capital Acquisition Corp., HWH Merger Sub, Inc. and HWH International Inc.,
	incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 12, 2022.
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation dated February 2, 2022, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Registrant's Current
	Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the SEC on February 8, 2022.
3.2	By Laws, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the SEC on January 13, 2022.
3.3	Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Alset Capital Acquisition Corp., dated May 2, 2023, incorporated by
	reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 3, 2023.
3.4	Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation, incorporated by reference to the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on
	November 3, 2023.
4.1	Specimen Unit Certificate, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the SEC on
	January 13, 2022
4.2	Specimen Class A Common Stock Certificate, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed
	with the SEC on January 13, 2022
4.3	Specimen Warrant Certificate, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the SEC
	on January 13, 2022
4.4	Specimen Right Certificate, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.4 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the SEC on
	January 13, 2022
4.5	Warrant Agreement between Vstock Transfer LLC and the Registrant, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the Registrant's Current Report
	on Form 8-K/A filed with the SEC on February 8, 2022
4.6	Rights Agreement between Vstock Transfer LLC and the Registrant, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 of the Registrant's Current Report on
	Form 8-K/A filed with the SEC on February 8, 2022
4.7*	Description of the Registrant's Securities registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934
10.1	Letter Agreement among the Registrant and our officers, directors and Alset Management Group, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of
	the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the SEC on February 8, 2022.
10.2	Promissory Note, dated November 8, 2021, issued to Alset Acquisition Sponsor LLC, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of the Registrant's
	Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the SEC on January 13, 2022.
10.3	Investment Management Trust Agreement between Wilmington Trust Company and the Registrant, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of the
	Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the SEC on February 8, 2022.
10.4	Registration Rights Agreement between the Registrant and certain security holders, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of the Registrant's
	Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the SEC on February 8, 2022.
10.5	Securities Subscription Agreement, dated November 8, 2021, between the Registrant and Alset Acquisition Sponsor LLC, incorporated by
	reference to Exhibit 10.5 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the SEC on January 13, 2022.

10.6	Placement Unit Purchase Agreement between the Registrant and Alset Acquisition Sponsor, LLC, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 of the
	Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the SEC on February 8, 2022.
10.7	Form of Indemnity Agreement, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.7 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the SEC on January 13, 2022.
10.8	Administrative Support Agreement by and between the Registrant and Alset Management Group, Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 of
10.0	the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the SEC on February 8, 2022
10.9	Sponsor Support Agreement dated as of September 9, 2022, by and among Alset Capital Acquisition Corp. and each of the Persons set forth on
10.9	Schedule I attached thereto, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 12, 2022.
10.10	Shareholder Support Agreement dated as of September 9, 2022, by and among Alset Capital Acquisition Corp., HWH International Inc. and each of
	the Persons set forth on Schedule I attached thereto, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 12,
10.11	<u>2022.</u>
10.11	Amendment No. 1 to Investment Management Trust Agreement, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's current report on
10.12	Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 3, 2023. Form of Forward Share Purchase Agreement, dated July 30, 2023, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's current report on
10.12	Form of Forward Share Purchase Agreement, dated July 30, 2023, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on July 31, 2023.
10.13	Form of FPA Funding Amount PIPE Subscription Agreement, dated July 30, 2023, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of the registrant's
10.15	current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on July 31, 2023.
10.14	Amendment No. 2 to Investment Management Trust Agreement, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's current report on
10.14	Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 3, 2023.
10.15	Satisfaction and Discharge Agreement, dated December 18, 2023, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of the registrant's current report on
10.15	Form 8-K filed with the SEC on January 12, 2024.
10.16	Credit Facility Agreement dated April 24, 2024, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with
10.10	the SEC on April 25, 2024.
10.17	Debt Conversion Agreement dated September 24, 2024, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's current report on Form 8-K
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10.18	Debt Conversion Agreement dated September 24, 2024, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's current report on Form 8-K
	filed with the SEC on September 25, 2024.
10.19	Stock Purchase Agreement dated November 25, 2024, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed
	with the SEC on November 26, 2024.
10.20	Stock Purchase Agreement dated December 24, 2024, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed
	with the SEC on December 26, 2024.
14	Code of Ethics, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 14 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the SEC on January 13,
	2022
19.1**	Insider Trading Policy
21*	Subsidiaries of the Company
31.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Adopted
	Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Adopted Pursuant
	to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1**	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of
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32.2**	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of
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97.1	Clawback Policy of HWH International Inc., incorporated by reference to Exhibit 97.1 of the registrant's annual report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 28, 2024
99.1	Audit Committee Charter, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the SEC on
<b>99.1</b>	January 13, 2022
99.2	Compensation Committee Charter, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the
99.2	SEC on January 13, 2022
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

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\* Filed herewith. \*\* Furnished herewith.

# Item 16. Form 10-K Summary

None.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

	HWH International Inc.
Dated: March 31, 2025	By: /s/ Rongguo (Ronald) Wei
	Name: Rongguo (Ronald) Wei
	Title: Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ John Thatch John Thatch	Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	March 31, 2025
/s/ Rongguo (Ronald) Wei Rongguo (Ronald) Wei	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	March 31, 2025
/s/ Wong Shui Yeung (Frankie) Wong Shui Yeung (Frankie)	Director	March 31, 2025
/s/ William Wu William Wu	Director	March 31, 2025
/s/ Wong Tat Keung (Aston) Wong Tat Keung (Aston)	Director	March 31, 2025
/s/ Heng Fai Ambrose Chan Heng Fai Ambrose Chan	Director	March 31, 2025
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