

Status of Repurchase of the Company's Stock (Stock Repurchase in accordance with Articles of Incorporation pursuant to Article 165, paragraph 2 of the Corporation Law)

April 1, 2021

Kao Corporation (the "Company"— *Ticker Code:4452*) hereby makes the following announcement: the Company has repurchased the Company's stock from the market in accordance with Article 156 of the Corporation Law applicable pursuant to Article 165, paragraph 3 of the said Law, and the resolution made at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on February 3, 2021.

(1) Type of repurchased stock: Common stock of the Company

(2) Total number of repurchased shares: 2,520,000 shares (3) Total amount of the repurchases: 18,122,282,700 yen

(4) Period of the repurchases: From March 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021

(5) Method of the repurchases: Repurchased from the market at Tokyo Stock

Exchange

Reference:

1. Information regarding the resolution made at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on February 3, 2021

(1) Type of stock to be repurchased: Common stock of the Company

(2) Total number of shares to be repurchased: Up to 7,000,000 shares

(1.5% of total outstanding shares excluding treasury shares as of December 31, 2020)

(3) Total amount of the repurchases: Up to 50,000,000,000 yen

(4) Period of the repurchases: From February 4, 2021 to April 30, 2021

2. Total number of repurchased shares of the Company's stock from the market pursuant to the above-noted resolution and total amount of the repurchases as of March 31, 2021

(1) Total number of repurchased shares: 4,200,000 shares
(2) Total amount of the repurchases: 30,531,801,100 yen

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