

News Release

November 30, 2015

Advantage Partners

### **Announcement Regarding Acquisition of EPOCH JAPAN Corp**

We are pleased to announce that on November 30, 2015, funds served by Advantage Partners, Inc. (“AP Funds”) acquired EPOCH JAPAN Corp (“EPOCH” or the “Company”), a provider of funeral services in Japan.

Since establishment in 2000, EPOCH has been recognized as a pioneer of “Kazoku-sou” under the “Famille” (“family” in French) brand, where only immediate family members, relatives and close friends gather for reduced-size funeral services. With a corporate vision of “revitalizing Japan through Kazoku-sou”, the Company operates 46 ceremony halls across Japan in Miyazaki, Kumamoto, Kanagawa, Chiba and Hokkaido, providing a differentiated service with one ceremony per day per hall. The Company also provides funeral services at partner ceremony halls around the Kanto (Tokyo) area.

AP Funds made the decision to invest based on the Company’s differentiated product offering and solid operating platform. Post investment, AP Funds will support the Company in ongoing expansion by strengthening its operating platform and further developing the “Famille” brand.

#### Detail of EPOCH JAPAN Corp

Company Name:	EPOCH JAPAN Corp
Company Representative:	Nobumitsu Takami
Location:	Tokyo, Japan
Business Description:	Funeral service provider