## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

Construction of five Zn(II)/Cd(II) coordination polymers derived from a new linear carboxylate/pyridyl ligand: Design, synthesis, and photocatalytic properties

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Figure S1. Experimental and simulated PXRD patterns for 1–2.



Figure S2. Experimental and simulated PXRD patterns for 3–5.



Figure S3. View of the 2D network in 1 extending along *bc* plane.



**Figure S4.** (a) View of the metallocyclic  $[Cd_4L_4]$  unit of **3**. (b) View of a 3D supramolecular structure in **3** looking down the *b* axis. (c) View of the separations between the neighboring nets in **2**. Atom color codes: Cd, cyan polyhedrons; O, red; N, blue; C, dark green. All H atoms are omitted for clarity.



Figure S5. TG curves of 1 (a), 2 (b), 3 (c), 4 (d), and 5 (e).



Figure S6. UV–vis adsorption spectra of 1–5 in the solid state at ambient temperature.



**Figure S7.**  $(Ahv)^2$ -hv curves of 1–5.



**Figure S8**. (a-d) The pseudo-zero-order plot for the photodegradation of MB in the presence of 1–4 under UV-Vis light irradiation. The square dots and the red line represent the experimental data and the fitted least-square line, respectively.



**Figure S9**. The PXRD patterns from simulated single crystal data, of as-synthesized samples, of as-synthesized samples after catalyzed the photo-degradation of MB.



**Figure S10.** The UV–vis adsorption spectra of the initial MB solution and the MB solution after stirring with the catalyst about 30 min.