

(Translation)

**Motion on
“Developing diversified hawking and
bazaar economic activities”
moved by Hon WONG Kwok-hing
at the Legislative Council meeting
of Wednesday, 14 November 2007**

Motion as amended by Hon Vincent FANG Kang

“That, as open-air bazaars not only feature local characteristics, which are one of Hong Kong’s tourist attractions, their operations are also diversified and have a low threshold of entry, hence conducive to encouraging start-up businesses, and in order to fully utilize human and land resources, develop diversified hawking and bazaar economic activities to enhance the attractiveness of tourism in Hong Kong, as well as to further revitalize on-street economy and diversified economic activities in remote new towns, this Council urges the Government to:

- (a) preserve and revitalize existing bazaars which have local economic, cultural and native characteristics, and launch beautification works, enhance management and promotion, so as to foster the viability and promote the sustainable development of such bazaars;
- (b) establish and develop new marketplaces with various characteristics, such as creativity bazaars and marketplaces for organic fishery and agricultural produce;
- (c) set up designated zones for street art performance, arts fairs and the like in order to encourage and promote the culture of street art performance, preserve collective memories, and maintain, discover and nurture the culture and talents of folk art performance;
- (d) set up various types of dawn markets and night markets at suitable locations so that those running small businesses who are self-reliant and self-supporting can have a way out;
- (e) explore the setting up of on-street cooked food designated zones featuring specialty food and drinks;
- (f) expeditiously conduct a comprehensive review on the policies for hawker licensing and management, and handle licence renewal applications with flexibility to tie in with the objectives of increasing employment, promoting diversified hawking and bazaar economic activities; and
- (g) proactively explore with various District Councils to implement the above measures and means for revitalizing the diversified economy and culture in the districts,

so as to provide the grass-roots with opportunities for starting up small businesses and employment.”