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Council meeting of 18 March 2009

**Motion on
“Promoting the development of leisure agriculture and fishery trades”**

Hon WONG Yung-kan has given notice to move the attached motion on “Promoting the development of leisure agriculture and fishery trades” at the Council meeting of 18 March 2009. The President has directed that “it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in” on the Agenda of the Council.

(Mrs Justina LAM)
for Clerk to the Legislative Council

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(Translation)

Motion on
“Promoting the development of leisure agriculture and fishery trades”
to be moved by Hon WONG Yung-kan
at the Legislative Council meeting
of Wednesday, 18 March 2009

Wording of the Motion

That, being affected by the policies implemented by the SAR Government, the room for survival of the trades which rely on the production of agricultural and fishery products has been shrinking; at the same time, with changes in people’s travel patterns, many places have put emphasis on upgrading their traditional agriculture and fishery industries and developing them into leisure tourism industry, which enriches the tourism resources of these places, and creates a way out for the agriculture and fishery industries to transform; yet, the SAR Government does not attach importance to the need of the agriculture and fishery industries in Hong Kong to transform, and there is a lack of a comprehensive development policy in this regard, resulting in the development of the local leisure agriculture and fishery trades still lagging far behind; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to formulate a comprehensive policy on the development of leisure agriculture and fishery trades to develop the trades into a tourism project with local characteristics; the relevant measures should include:

- (a) under the principle of sustainable development and through appropriate tourism regulation and ecological management as well as the provision of resources, conserving natural landscape with ecological values as well as rural areas and fishing villages with traditional cultural characteristics, so as to balance the needs for conservation and tourism development;
- (b) reviewing the current restrictions relating to the transformation of the agriculture and fishery industries to engage in tourism business, so as to give the industries more room for transformation and development;
- (c) drawing on overseas experiences, enhancing the facilities of local live and fresh food wholesale markets and typhoon shelters, injecting tourism elements into such facilities to provide more diversified leisure agriculture and fishery projects; and
- (d) allocating more resources to training talents and stepping up the promotion of local leisure agriculture and fishery trades, so as to attract more tourists.