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**Motion on
“Enhancing employment support and
creating employment opportunities”**

Hon WONG Kwok-kin has given notice to move the attached motion on “Enhancing employment support and creating employment opportunities” at the Council meeting of 25 November 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

Encl.

(Translation)

**Motion on
“Enhancing employment support and
creating employment opportunities”
to be moved by Hon WONG Kwok-kin
at the Legislative Council meeting
of Wednesday, 25 November 2009**

Wording of the Motion

That, since the reunification, Hong Kong’s growth in Gross Domestic Product has exceeded 40% but the population of the poor has increased persistently to over one million, and according to a report published by the United Nations Development Programme, Hong Kong even ranks first in the world in terms of disparity between the rich and the poor, the problem is attributed to the mismatch between manpower supply and job positions, the Government should allocate more resources to expand various employment services as well as continuing education and training, and create jobs to assist the grassroots in securing employment, thereby alleviating the disparity between the rich and the poor; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to adopt the following measures:

- (a) while developing the six industries, to provide various concessionary measures particularly targeting at labour-intensive industries, such as the recycling industry, in order to encourage and support the development of these industries;
- (b) to provide avenues to continuing education to enable young people, new arrivals, etc to equip themselves for taking up professional positions in the six industries at the middle ranking or supporting levels;
- (c) to introduce a territory-wide transport subsidy scheme to subsidize the costs of low-income employees in working across districts, so as to enable them to have more choices in jobs;
- (d) to provide re-employment support allowance and employment counseling, etc for the unemployed;
- (e) to establish a start-up fund to provide the unemployed with capital to set up their own businesses, and invite professionals to provide support on setting up and operating businesses;

- (f) to promote local community culture economy, issue licences to people engaged in arts and cultural performances and activities, and relax the restrictions on on-street arts and cultural activities; and
- (g) to consider allowing regulated hawking activities in specific areas or during specific periods, so as to provide opportunities for running small businesses.