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From : Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

Council meeting of 12 January 2011

**Motion on
“Legislating for regulating allied health staff to protect public health”**

Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long has given notice to move the attached motion on “Legislating for regulating allied health staff to protect public health” at the Council meeting of 12 January 2011. 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
“Legislating for regulating allied health staff to protect public health”
to be moved by Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long
at the Legislative Council meeting
of Wednesday, 12 January 2011**

Wording of the Motion

That in recent years, the Government has striven to promote healthcare reform, advocated stepping up primary healthcare services, community rehabilitation services and the policy of ageing in place, etc., and emphasized the provision of appropriate primary healthcare services to members of the public, the elderly and chronic patients, etc. through multi-disciplinary healthcare services teams; however, under the Government’s policy over the years, no legislation has been enacted to regulate the registration and practice of allied health staff, such as dieticians, audiologists, psychologists, speech therapists, podiatrists, prosthetists and ancillary dental workers, etc., resulting in some people in the market falsely claiming themselves as and impersonating various types of allied health staff to provide non-professional primary healthcare services for members of the public, thus posing dangers to the health of members of the public; in this connection, this Council urges the authorities to immediately put in place a statutory registration system for the relevant allied health staff and enact legislation to regulate their practice, with a view to promoting primary healthcare services and protecting the health of members of the public.