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From : Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

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**Motion on
“Facing up to the needs of persons with disabilities”**

Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung has given notice to move the attached motion on “Facing up to the needs of persons with disabilities” at the Council meeting of 27 November 2013. The President has directed that it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

(Odelia LEUNG)
for Clerk to the Legislative Council

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(Translation)

**Motion on
“Facing up to the needs of persons with disabilities”
to be moved by Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
at the Council meeting of 27 November 2013**

Wording of the Motion

That this Council urges the Government to implement the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities on various policy levels, and face up to the needs of persons with disabilities especially in areas such as healthcare, education, welfare, employment and transportation, etc., so as to create a truly inclusive society; the relevant measures should include:

Healthcare —

- (1) to review the definition of disabilities under the various policies on persons with disabilities, and reform the definition under the Disability Allowance by deleting the outdated provisions linked to ‘a 100% loss of earning capacity’ and replacing them by international disability standards and assessment methods;
- (2) to comprehensively review and raise the amounts of the Disability Allowance to enable persons with disabilities to adequately meet medical and healthcare expenses, etc.;

Education —

- (3) to comprehensively review the integrated education policy, including the subsidy systems, manpower establishment and training, assessment systems, continuous education arrangements, overall culture and public education, and consider legislating for protecting students with disabilities and those with special learning needs;
- (4) to step up the promotion of sign language, implement sign language programmes in primary and secondary schools and provide sign language interpretation in television news reports, so as to facilitate the deaf-mute to integrate into society;

Welfare –

- (5) to increase the places in residential care homes for persons with disabilities and provide carer subsidies to carers of persons with severe disabilities, so as to protect the livelihood of persons with disabilities in residential care homes or in the community;

Employment –

- (6) to establish a quota system for employing persons with disabilities and provide minimum wage subsidies; the Government and subvented organizations should take the lead in employing more persons with disabilities, with 2% as the target rate, and disclose by various departments and organizations their status on employment of persons with disabilities; other larger-scale public organizations such as the MTR Corporation Limited and the Airport Authority, etc. should also take the lead in employing more persons with disabilities;

Transportation –

- (7) to extend the scope of the Public Transport Fare Concession Scheme for the Elderly and Eligible Persons with Disabilities (i.e. ‘concessionary fare of \$2 per trip’) to cover persons with disabilities under the age of 12, and make it applicable to green minibuses across the territory; and
- (8) to improve the existing barrier-free access and install electronic route display panels and next stop announcement systems on various means of public transport.