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From: Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

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Motion on "Adding impetus for promoting upward social mobility"

Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun has given notice to move the attached motion on "Adding impetus for promoting upward social mobility" at the Council meeting of 17 March 2010. 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

"Adding impetus for promoting upward social mobility" to be moved by Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fan at the Legislative Council meeting of Wednesday, 17 March 2010

Wording of the Motion

That, the subject of 'upward social mobility' has recently become the concern of various sectors of the community; upward social mobility involves factors such as personal ability and attitude, etc., and government support is also indispensible; in this connection, this Council urges the Government:

- (a) to promote education which is steered by 'inspiration' in place of 'impartation' mode of teaching, to develop creativity and independent analytical ability among students, with a view to establishing proper attitudes towards life;
- (b) to expand the types of existing education programmes, promote diversified development, increase the opportunities for young people to study abroad and participate in summer exchange programmes and on-the-job training, etc., and provide further support to young people from poor families, so as to enhance the quality of education for the whole community;
- (c) to encourage the public to fulfil their personal potentials and avoid introducing policies which impede the fulfilment of potentials;
- (d) to promote in the Government and various sectors of the community the development of a 'from the heart' attitude of doing things, consolidate Hong Kong's core values of 'being proactive and progressive', and encourage young people to strive harder for improvement and self-reliance, so as to prevent the development of a mentality of dependency;
- (e) to promote upward social mobility through developing the economy and new industries;
- (f) to assist the younger generation in purchasing their homes through measures such as revitalizing the secondary market of Home Ownership Scheme flats and re-launching the Home Starter Loan Scheme, etc.; and
- (g) to establish communication channels such as new media for young people to express views and actively participate in social affairs.