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From : Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

Council meeting of 10 March 2010

Motion on "Advocating a low carbon life"

Hon CHAN Hak-kan has given notice to move the attached motion on "Advocating a low carbon life" at the Council meeting of 10 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

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(Translation)

Motion on "Advocating a low carbon life" to be moved by Hon CHAN Hak-kan at the Legislative Council meeting of Wednesday, 10 March 2010

Wording of the Motion

That the governments of various places are actively motivating their people and enterprises to lead a low carbon life so as to address global climate change; in this connection, this Council urges the SAR Government to lead Hong Kong to become a low carbon city through comprehensive policies and setting work targets and timetables, and the relevant measures should include:

- (a) to study the establishment of an effective mechanism to enable people to calculate carbon emissions in daily life on their own so as to understand their carbon footprints;
- (b) to study the introduction of a 'carbon emission reduction bonus point scheme', whereby the purchase of energy-saving products and reduction in electricity consumption can be exchanged into bonus points which can be used to pay fees of government services and facilities, so as to encourage people to save energy;
- (c) to study further expansion of the coverage of the 'Mandatory Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme';
- (d) to actively promote the 'Water Efficiency Labelling Scheme', review its effectiveness and study the feasibility of its mandatory implementation;
- (e) to formulate effective policies to enhance source separation of waste, facilitate food waste recycling and reuse, and optimize the use of landfill gas;
- (f) to expand the scale of the Government's green product procurement and formulate a labelling system in this respect, so as to facilitate the development of a market for green products;
- (g) to promote the development of local organic agriculture and fisheries and improve the labelling system for organic products, so that people can purchase agriculture and fishery products with low carbon footprints;
- (h) to encourage enterprises to make efforts to reduce carbon emissions, including offering assistance in conducting carbon audits, upgrading emission reduction technology, and obtaining accredited certification, etc;

- (i) to strengthen greening efforts to achieve the objectives of improving cityscape and reducing heat island effects;
- (j) to actively develop green transportation, including electric vehicles, and expand cycling tracks to reduce carbon emissions arising from transport needs; and
- (k) to step up publicity and education to encourage people to live a low carbon life.