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Clerk to Panel Legislative Council

Dear Members of the Legislative Council,

Panel on Home Affairs Special Meeting on 29 November 2010 Hong Kong's Potential Bid for Hosting the 2023 Asian Games

The Hong Kong Institute of Landscape Architects wish to express our strong support for Hong Kong's Bid for hosting the 2023 Asian Games in Hong Kong.

We believe the successful bid in hosting the Asian Games will bring the following benefits to the city and the community -

- The advancement of some long overdue sports and recreation facilities, and new sport grounds and training facilities for the Games being constructed which will eventually be used by various communities and future generations.
- 2) This will be a great opportunity for the government and community to make improvement in the urban and rural environment, greening of the city, and upgrading of streetscapes and old areas for a better living environment.
- 3) Hong Kong needs a vision for the young generation. The Asian Game in 2023 will have the opportunity to provide world class sports and recreation facilities to train up our next generation of athletics, sportsmanship, facilities and organization support personnel; and provide new career development opportunities.
- 4) Most of the government money spent and invested will be ploughed back into the community including provision of construction works, management of new facilities, training of young athletics, security and PR personnel, and new business opportunities for sporting goods, commercials, and associated industries.

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5) Last but not least, city like Hong Kong needs continuous growth, expectations, aspirations, hope and new challenges to maintain our vibrancy and economic sustainability. This international event will help to bring people of different social levels, ethnic groups, nationalities, age groups together with much social gains.

We look forward to Legislative Council Member's support for bidding the 2023 Asian Games.

Yours sincerely

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