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To : All Members of the Legislative Council

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Motion on "Formulating a comprehensive mental health policy"

Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che has given notice to move the attached motion on "Formulating a comprehensive mental health policy" at the Council meeting of 11 January 2012. The President has directed that "it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in" on the Agenda of the Council.

(Ms Dora WAI) for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

Motion on "Formulating a comprehensive mental health policy" to be moved by Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che at the Council meeting of 11 January 2012

Wording of the Motion

That Hong Kong people have persistently faced high rentals, high inflation, long working hours and the absence of retirement protection in their lives, and the Government has also failed to put in place a comprehensive safety net, create a fair competition environment, and provide Hong Kong people with sufficient and affordable homes, thus causing people's livelihood pressure to increase; besides, Hong Kong people's happiness index has long remained on the low side, and the symptoms of mental illnesses such as depression and anxiety are prevalent; government departments and organizations which are currently providing drug treatment and counselling services for people with mental illness and people recovering from mental illness follow different policies, and policy bureaux and administrative departments all adopt an indifferent attitude; hence, it is necessary to conduct a comprehensive review of the existing policies and various services; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to formulate a comprehensive mental health policy, strengthen preventive and remedial services, improve the relevant policies on labour, land, healthcare, welfare and education, etc., and build a care-based community, so as to improve Hong Kong people's living environment and mental health quality, reduce their chance of contracting mental illnesses, assist people with mental illness to recover and reintegrate into society, and promote all social sectors to accept people recovering from mental illness to integrate into society.