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From: Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

Council meeting of 30 May 2018

Motion on "Cross-boundary elderly care"

Hon LEUNG Che-cheung has given notice to move the attached motion on "Cross-boundary elderly care" at the Council meeting of 23 May 2018. Members have been informed vide LC Paper No. CB(3) 578/17-18 issued earlier today that Hon LEUNG Che-cheung's motion will stand over until the Council meeting of 30 May 2018. The President has directed that it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

2. Members are invited to note that the deadline for giving notice of amendments to Hon LEUNG Che-cheung's motion is **15 May 2018 (Tuesday)**.

(Dora WAI) for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

Motion on "Cross-boundary elderly care" to be moved by Hon LEUNG Che-cheung at the Council meeting of 30 May 2018

Wording of the Motion

That, all along, quite a number of elderly persons in Hong Kong have chosen to spend their twilight years on the Mainland, but the current cross-boundary portability arrangements for welfare benefits made by the SAR Government have a very narrow scope, benefiting only eligible elderly persons who are receiving the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance payments or the Old Age Allowance and have moved to reside in Guangdong or Fujian Province on the Mainland; to facilitate more elderly persons in spending their twilight years on the Mainland, this Council urges the SAR Government to:

- (1) extend the arrangements of the Guangdong Scheme and the Fujian Scheme to other provinces on the Mainland;
- (2) introduce cross-boundary portability arrangements for the Old Age Living Allowance to support eligible elderly persons who are receiving the allowance and have moved to the Mainland;
- (3) abolish the existing absence limit for various welfare benefits under the Social Security Allowance Scheme, and conduct a study on developing an identity verification system with the relevant Mainland departments to obviate the need for elderly persons who have moved to the Mainland to return to Hong Kong for making applications for continuous collection of such benefits on a yearly basis;
- (4) introduce cross-boundary portability arrangements for the Disability Allowance such that eligible elderly persons with disabilities aged 65 or above can choose to reside on the Mainland;
- (5) optimize the existing Pilot Residential Care Services Scheme in Guangdong by, for example, purchasing residential care places for persons with disabilities from Mainland residential care homes, and purchasing more quality residential care places for the elderly in various major cities on the Mainland, as well as providing needy elderly persons

- who choose to reside on the Mainland with one-stop escort arrangements for travelling to and from Hong Kong;
- (6) conduct a study on the implementation of a scheme for the transfer of medical records of Hong Kong residents under which, with the consent of the elderly persons who have moved to the Mainland, their medical records will be transferred to designated Mainland hospitals so that they can seek medical consultation conveniently;
- (7) conduct a study on extending the scope of application of Hong Kong's Health Care Vouchers to cover major hospitals and clinics on the Mainland, with a view to alleviating the burden of medical expenses on elderly persons who have moved to the Mainland;
- (8) by drawing reference from the model of the University of Hong Kong-Shenzhen Hospital, co-establish hospitals in major Mainland cities by Hong Kong and the Mainland and adopt Hong Kong-style management to jointly provide quality healthcare services to elderly persons who have moved to the Mainland; and
- (9) by drawing reference from the Pilot Scheme on Community Care Service Voucher for the Elderly, conduct a study on providing elderly persons who have moved to the Mainland with support services for ageing in place.