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From: Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

#### **Council meeting on 14 December 2022**

## Amendments to Hon CHAN Han-pan's motion on "Comprehensively reviewing and improving Hong Kong's dental service system and manpower needs"

Further to the email (LC Paper No. CB(3)863/2022) issued on 1 December 2022, the President has given permission for four Members (Hon CHAN Hoi-yan, Dr Hon David LAM, Hon Joephy CHAN and Ir Hon LEE Chun-keung) to move amendments to Hon CHAN Han-pan's motion, and has directed that the amendments be printed in the terms in which they were handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

- 2. The President will order a joint debate on the above motion and the amendments. I set out below the relevant proceedings in which the President will:
  - (a) call upon the motion mover to speak and move the motion;
  - (b) propose the question on the motion;
  - (c) call upon the Members who wish to move amendments to the motion to speak in the following order, but no amendment is to be moved at this stage:
    - (i) Hon CHAN Hoi-yan;
    - (ii) Hon Joephy CHAN;
    - (iii) Dr Hon David LAM; and
    - (iv) Ir Hon LEE Chun-keung;

- (d) call upon the public officer(s) to speak;
- (e) invite other Members to speak;
- (f) call upon the motion mover to speak on the amendments;
- (g) call upon the public officer(s) to speak again;
- (h) deal with the amendments in the order set out in paragraph (c) above, i.e. first invite the mover of the first amendment to move the amendment and forthwith propose and put to vote the question on the amendment, and thereafter proceed to deal with the remaining amendment(s); and
- (i) after all amendments have been dealt with, call upon the motion mover to reply, and then put to vote the question on the motion, or the motion as amended, as the case may be.
- 3. The terms of the original motion and the marked-up version of the amendments (LC Paper No. CB(3)899/2022(01)) are attached for Members' easy reference. The amendments are also accessible via the hyperlink below: <a href="https://www.legco.gov.hk/yr2022/english/counmtg/motion/cm20221214m-chp.htm">https://www.legco.gov.hk/yr2022/english/counmtg/motion/cm20221214m-chp.htm</a>
- 4. Members are reminded that in accordance with Appendix IIIA to the House Rules, the **maximum duration of this joint debate (including voting) is four hours**. The motion mover will have a total of 10 minutes to make introductory speech and reply (paragraph 2(a) and (i) above refers), and another five minutes to speak on the amendment(s) (paragraph 2(f) above refers). The mover(s) of the amendment(s) and other Members may each speak once up to a maximum of five minutes.
- 5. For enquiries, please contact **Miss Mandy NG at tel. no. 3919 3307**.

(Miranda HON) for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

# Motion debate on "Comprehensively reviewing and improving Hong Kong's dental service system and manpower needs"

#### 1. Hon CHAN Han-pan's original motion

That there is a strong demand for public dental services among members of the public in Hong Kong, but due to an acute shortage of the relevant manpower, the dental health of the public is not duly protected, thus affecting their quality of life, most especially in the case of the elderly; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously formulate a '10-year development strategy for dental services', in a bid to comprehensively review and improve Hong Kong's dental service system and human resources support, and formulate short-, medium- and long-term development measures, with a view to fully developing public dental services and establishing a safety net for the provision of basic dental care services, thereby properly taking care of the dental health of the general public.

#### 2. Motion as amended by Hon CHAN Hoi-yan

That with an increasingly acute population ageing in Hong Kong, there is a strong significant increase in the demand for public dental services among members of the public in Hong Kong, but due to an acute shortage of the relevant manpower, the dental health of the public is not duly protected, thus affecting their quality of life, most especially in the case of the elderly; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously formulate a '10-year development strategy for dental services', in a bid to comprehensively review and improve Hong Kong's dental service system and human resources support, including enhancing training for and making good use of 'dental therapists', and formulate short-, medium- and long-term development measures, with a view to fully developing public dental services and establishing, through the planning for primary healthcare services, providing the public with a safety net for the provision of basic dental care services, thereby properly taking care of the dental health of the general public.

Note: Hon CHAN Hoi-yan's amendment is marked in **bold and italic type** or with deletion line.

#### 3. Motion as amended by Hon Joephy CHAN

That according to the Government's Report on Strategic Review on Healthcare Manpower Planning and Professional Development, there will be an acute manpower shortage of dentists in Hong Kong in the coming decade; in fact, there is has all along been a strong demand for public dental services among members of the public in Hong Kong, but due to an acute shortage of the relevant manpower, the dental health of the public people from various strata is not duly protected, thus affecting their quality of life, most especially in the case of the elderly; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously formulate a '10-year development strategy for dental services', in a bid to comprehensively review and improve Hong Kong's dental service system and human resources support, and formulate short-, medium- and long-term development measures, including introducing dental care vouchers in the short term, increasing the number of places in dentistry in Hong Kong and implementing a limited registration scheme for dentists in the medium term, and promoting the provision of cross-boundary dental care services in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area and the setting up of dental clinics for the elderly in the 18 districts in the long term, with a view to fully developing public dental services and establishing a safety net for the provision of basic dental care services, thereby properly taking care of the dental health of the general public.

Note: Hon Joephy CHAN's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type* or with deletion line.

## 4. Motion as amended by Dr Hon David LAM

That there is a strong demand for public dental services among members of the public in Hong Kong, but due to an acute shortage of the relevant manpower and a long-standing lack of government policy on the provision of comprehensive public dental services, the dental health of the public is not duly protected, thus affecting their quality of life, most especially in the case of the elderly; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously formulate a '10-year development strategy for dental services', in a bid to comprehensively review and improve Hong Kong's dental service system and human resources support, and formulate short-, medium- and long-term development measures, with a view to fully developing public dental services and public-private partnership in dental services, and establishing a safety net for the provision of basic dental care services, thereby properly taking care of the dental health of the general public.

Note: Dr Hon David LAM's amendment is marked in bold and italic type.

# 5. Motion as amended by Ir Hon LEE Chun-keung

That there is a strong demand for public dental services among members of the public in Hong Kong, but due to an acute shortage of the relevant manpower, the dental health of the public is not duly protected, thus affecting their quality of life, most especially in the case of the elderly; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously formulate a '10-year development strategy for dental services', in a bid to comprehensively review and improve Hong Kong's dental service system and human resources support, *admit qualified non-locally trained dental healthcare personnel as appropriate*, and formulate short-, medium- and long-term development measures, with a view to fully developing public dental services and establishing a safety net for the provision of basic dental care services, thereby properly taking care of the dental health of the general public.

Note: Ir Hon LEE Chun-keung's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type*.