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Dr Lee Ka-kit is both an outstanding and visionary entrepreneur and a philanthropist whose benevolence has touched many lives. Over the years, his belief in a "people-centric approach to the future" has guided him in his remarkable accomplishments across business development, technological innovation and charitable endeavours.

Nurtured from a young age by the teachings and example of his father, Dr Lee Shau-kee, Dr Lee Ka-kit particularly treasures people-centricity. As Chairman of the Henderson Land Group, and Chairman of The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited and Towngas Smart Energy Company Limited, Dr Lee upholds this people-centric ethos through his concern for employees' well-being, his sincerity towards business partners, and his sense of responsibility and commitment to the wider community. This conviction is deeply embedded in the corporate culture and shared by all staff.

Dr Lee further encourages himself with the Chinese ideal of "becoming famous and bringing honour to one's parents". He aspires to, building upon the solid foundation laid by his father, inherit fine traditions while advancing with the times so as to lead the enterprises towards continuous development and new horizons.

A firm believer in innovation and technology as vital forces driving future progress, Dr Lee foresaw opportunities and established Full Vision Capital, a family office and venture capital incubation platform dedicated to nurturing start-ups in smart energy and innovative green technologies, thereby promoting green economy and sustainable development. Upholding the principle of "Doing Well by Doing Good", Full Vision Capital supports mission-driven start-ups in achieving commercial success for the lasting benefit of future generations.

Beyond his outstanding achievements in the business world, Dr Lee has been widely acclaimed for his philanthropic work. He firmly believes that "doing good to benefit all living beings is the greatest happiness". Charity, in his view, is not merely about relieving immediate hardship, but more importantly, about restoring people's ability to choose as well as dignity and hope. As an entrepreneur, Dr Lee is convinced that true philanthropy lies not in mere almsgiving, but in leveraging one's resources and influence to help beneficiaries stand on their own feet and open up new paths in life, while enabling those who give to join in a shared enterprise of goodness. In this way, business and society can advance hand in hand.

Dr Lee has clearly stated that charity should not only sustain bodily life but also enlighten wisdom life. He hopes that the people who receive help will acquire the inner strength to establish themselves in life and even develop the courage

and perseverance to devote themselves to greater causes of helping others. They will then transform from today's beneficiaries into tomorrow's benefactors and embody the spirit of gratitude and giving back.

Guided by this belief, Dr Lee has benefited countless families by founding and supporting numerous charitable initiatives over the years, covering youth development, poverty alleviation, and sustainable development. Among them, the most representative is the Centum Charitas Foundation, which he founded and chairs. Since its establishment over 15 years ago, the Foundation has advanced youth development through a diverse array of activities. In recent years, it has anchored its focus on the dual pillars of "Tech for Good" and "Sustainability" to nurture technological elites and ESG professionals for the benefit of society.

Dr Lee is equally devoted to the grassroots and the underprivileged. He founded Home Market, which stands as Hong Kong's first non-profit chain community convenience-store network, supported by the Lee Shau Kee Foundation. It serves low-income families, the elderly, people with disabilities and other marginalised groups. By employing individuals with disabilities, Home Market empowers them to achieve self-reliance.

Through the Care for Life Foundation, Dr Lee provides medical treatment to children from resource-deprived regions suffering from congenital heart disease. Recognising that these children endure prolonged hardships that repeatedly disrupt their lives and schooling, he hopes to contribute his modest part to ensure they grow up happy and healthy. As he often remarks, "Others may say I saved these children, but in truth, they saved me. If I strive just a little harder, their lives gain more light. It is they who cheer me on, and this is the very force that sustains my continued acts of charity."

Dr Lee firmly believes that education is the bedrock of talent development. As knowledge and skills advance, he maintains that society requires more than just specialists in a single field, but it also needs lifelong learners capable of bridging disciplines. These individuals observe keenly, discern underlying patterns, and are able to examine problems from multiple perspectives without reducing a complex world to mere binaries of black and white. He hopes that young people, once they have defined their life goals, will move forward with steady, grounded determination, taking both success and failure in stride. He believes that while setbacks are inevitable, the key is to remain undeterred, engage in self-reflection and advance in quiet perseverance until success is achieved.

Dr Lee's vision of talent—which emphasises values education, whole-person development and social responsibility—aligns seamlessly with the liberal arts philosophy of HSUHK. The Lee family has consistently supported the University's sustained development, partnering with us in the endeavour to nurture students of integrity and professional competence to build a better future for society and the country.

Dr Lee often says, "What we do today is about laying the foundations for future growth and sowing the seeds of kindness and positive change. This mission has brought me a profound sense of sincerity, joy and inner strength that wealth can never offer. May we all, through kindness in thought and action, help create a more sustainable and brighter future for our planet."

Chairman, in recognition of his drive for innovation with the foresight of an entrepreneur, his service to humanity with the compassion of a philanthropist, his cultivation of talent with the ambition as an educator, all of which embody his distinguished contributions to Hong Kong society, it is my great honour to present Dr Lee Ka-kit to you for conferment of the Doctor of Laws, *honoris causa*.

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讚辭

李家傑博士既為卓越高瞻的企業家，亦為仁澤廣被的慈善家。多年來，他秉持「以人為本，展望未來」的信念，在商業發展、科技創新、公益慈善等多個領域建樹卓著，貢獻殊深。

李博士幼承庭訓，深受其父李兆基博士的言傳身教薰陶，尤為珍視「以人為本」。現任恒基兆業地產集團主席，香港中華煤氣有限公司及港華智慧能源有限公司主席的李家傑博士，無論對員工福祉的關注、對合作夥伴的以誠相待，或對社會大眾的責任與承諾，均堅持「以人為本」的初心，並深植於企業文化中，成為全體員工共同的信念。

李博士又以「揚名聲，顯父母」自勉，期望能在父親奠下的宏厚基業上，既承傳優良傳統，亦能與時俱進，帶領企業持續發展，開創新局面。

李博士深信創新科技是推動未來發展的重要力量，他洞察先機，創立家族辦公室暨創投孵化平台「賦生資本」，專注培育智慧能源及創新環保技術的初創企業，推動綠色經濟及可持續發展。「賦生資本」秉持「行善致遠」的理念，支持肩負社會使命的初創企業取得商業成功，惠澤後世。

李家傑博士不單在商界卓有成就，其慈善事業亦廣受讚譽。他深信「行善利眾生，是最幸福的事」，慈善工作不只是紓解一時困厄，更重要的是讓生命重拾選擇、尊嚴與希望。作為企業家，李博士堅信慈善不在於施捨他人，而在於善用自身資源與影響力，讓受助者得以站起來，開拓人生，也讓行善者能成就共同的善業，達致企業與社會同步而行。

李博士明言慈善不應只是救助「身命」，更要啟迪「慧命」，希望受助人能習得安身立命的精神，甚至具備勇毅投身更大的救人事業，由今天的「受助者」成為明天的「施助者」，體現由受惠而思回饋的善念。

秉持這份信念，李博士多年來創辦並支持多個公益慈善項目，涵蓋青年發展、扶貧濟困及可持續發展等多個範疇，惠及無數家庭。當中最具代表性的，莫過於由他創辦並出任主席的「百仁基金」。百仁基金成立至今逾15載，透過不同活動推動青年發展，近年更訂立「科技向善」和「可持續發展」兩大方向，為社會培育科技精英和ESG人才。

李博士亦關心基層及弱勢社群，由他創辦並獲李兆基基金支持的「家園便利店」是香港首創，以非牟利連鎖模式營運的社區便利店網絡，為低收入家庭、長者、傷殘人士等弱勢社群服務。「家園」亦聘用殘疾人士，讓他們自力更生。

李博士透過「珍惜生命基金會」幫助來自資源匱乏的地區及患有先天性心臟病的孩子接受治療。這些孩子長期受病痛所困，生活與學業屢受阻礙，他希望能付出一點力量，讓他們快樂健康地成長，他常言：「外人會說我救了孩子，但其實是他們救了我，只要我更努力一點，他們的生命便多一分光亮，是他們為我打氣，這亦是我持續行善的動力。」

李博士深信教育是人才成長之本，隨着知識與技能不斷進步，社會需要的不只是精通單一技藝的人，而是能跨越領域、終身學習的人，他們善於觀察、掌握事物規律，並能從多角度審視問題，不將複雜世界簡化為非黑即白。李博士期望青年選定人生目標後，能腳踏實地，步步向前，並以持平之心面對成敗得失。人生難免會有挫折，重要是敗而不餒，反躬自省，默默磨礪，終會達致成功。

李博士重視價值教育、全人發展及社會責任的人才觀，與香港恒生大學的博雅教育理念相融合。李氏家族一直匡助大學的長遠發展，攜手培育具專業能力與良好品格的學生，為社會、為國家建設未來。

李博士常說：「我們今天所做的一切，都是在為未來培育成長的土壤，播下善意與改變的種子。這份使命讓我收穫了財富無法衡量的真誠、喜悅與內心力量。願我們都能以一念善意、一份行動，為地球開創更可持續、更光明的未來。」

主席閣下，李家傑博士以企業家的遠見推動創新，以慈善家的胸襟濟世為懷，以教育家的抱負作育英才，對香港社會貢獻昭著。本人謹恭請　閣下頒授榮譽法學博士學位予李家傑博士。

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