田家炳博士
Dr Tin Ka-Ping

田家炳博士是大中华地区享誉盛名的成功商人，也是慈善家。在他的资助下，中国内地及香港的教育机构得到了极大的发展。他的人格魅力和慈善行为得到了广泛的认可和尊重。

田家炳博士是中国教育事业的奠基者，他始终坚持“教育是国家的未来，是民族的希望”的理念，投入大量资金和精力支持中国的教育事业。他不仅捐资建立了多所学校和教育设施，还设立了多项奖学金和资助计划，帮助众多有才华但经济困难的学生完成学业。

田家炳博士的慈善事业不仅限于教育领域，他还积极参与各种社会公益活动，关注弱势群体的生活和权益。他的慈善行为不仅是对他父亲的怀念和传承，也是对社会和国家的回馈。他的慈善事业和人格魅力，赢得了社会各界的尊敬和赞誉，成为华人社会的楷模。

田家炳博士是中国慈善事业的杰出代表，他的慈善行为和精神将永远激励着我们。他的名字将永远被人们铭记，他的慈善事业将永远在历史的长河中熠熠生辉。
education and 35 regular universities, founded over 120 secondary schools, 9 vocational schools for teacher training, 48 primary schools/kindergartens, as well as 1150 school libraries in rural areas, not to mention the numerous schools and universities in Hong Kong, Taiwan and Macau that are the recipients of his generosity. There are also hospitals, medical, arts and recreational facilities, science museums, homes for the aged, roads, and hundreds of bridges on the Mainland that bear his name or benefit from his benevolence.

It is a personal article of faith that education is the foundation of hope, and the cornerstone of social salvation. It is also partly in compensation for his own interrupted education when he had to drop out of school at age 15 because of his father’s untimely passing, to become the provider for his family. He believes that as an ancient civilization, China’s path to national prosperity lies in the education of its next generation.

Dr Tin belongs to that vanishing breed of human beings who live frugally so that others may live fruitfully. Despite age, and his social status, he still stands in line at the bus stop going to and from his office.

Known as the “king of synthetic leather”, Dr Tin did something unthinkable in him to be able to provide his own business associates by surprise: He donated an entire production line, complete with the necessary technology transfer to a local government on the Mainland, so that local residents would have the means to earn a decent living, all without any regard for his own business concerns. His charitable giving is foremost and foremost predicated on what is now fashionably known as the promotion of sustainable development — that is, helping others to help themselves over the long haul.

In commerce, Dr Tin upholds the highest standards of business ethics, refusing any windfall, and never taking any unfair advantage. His word is his bond. That explains why in the depths of the Asian financial crisis, he was able to maintain close to 90% of occupancy of his commercial rental units. Such was the respect and loyalty he commanded in his tenants or those with whom he conducted business.

Unbelievably, recipient schools on the Mainland were so moved by his selfless generosity that they voluntarily requested a reduction in their share of his donations in order that more educational institutions might benefit. This deed of honor is unheard-of in the history of educational philanthropy anywhere in the world. It speaks to his supreme and spreading moral influence.

Dr Tin still travels frequently to the Mainland to visit the many institutions that benefit from his generosity, happy in the belief that “in giving there is much blessing.” It is truly remarkable how one life can make a huge difference in the lives of tens of thousands far and wide.

Mr Pro-Chancellor, I have the honor to present to you, on behalf of The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Dr Tin Ka-Ping, for the award of Honorary Fellowship.