Dr David Wong Yau-kar BBS, JP

Dr David Wong Yau-kar was born in Hong Kong. He obtained his BA in Economics from the University of Wisconsin, and his MA in Economics and his PhD in Economics from the University of Chicago. Dr Wong is currently Managing Director of United Overseas Investments Ltd.

Dr Wong has extensive experience in manufacturing, international trade, corporate finance and policy research. He served as an economist at the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, USA from 1987 to 1991. He currently serves on the boards of a number of listed and non-listed companies.

Dr Wong has an extensive record in public service. He holds significant positions in various business and professional organisations. He is a past President of the Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong, and he currently serves as Chairman of the Business & Professionals Federation of Hong Kong, Deputy Chairman of the Hong Kong Institute of Directors, and Vice President of the Hong Kong Professionals & Senior Executives Association. Dr Wong also serves on many government and non-governmental consultative and advisory bodies. He is currently Chairman of the Land & Development Advisory Committee, Chairman of the Protection of Wages on Insolvency Fund Board as well as a member of the Preparatory Task Force for Economic Development Commission, the Exchange Fund Advisory Committee, and the Hong Kong Trade Development Council, among others. Dr Wong has also previously served as a part-time member of the Central Policy Unit.

In his various capacities in the business and professional sectors, Dr Wong has made significant contributions to economic and public affairs in Hong Kong over the years, including the advancement of trade and investment flows, advocacy of a better operating environment for small and medium enterprises, promotion of corporate governance, and advancement of a more harmonious labour-employer relationship. Dr Wong has been able to serve effectively because he has long been deeply involved in public policy research and advocacy, especially with regard to economic affairs. In fact, he has published many policy articles, both in his own capacity and through the various business and professional organisations he has served. This effort is grounded in his firm belief that effective public policy is best fostered through a process of rigorous research and debate, and that both the private sector and the government have a critical role to play in this process.

Dr Wong has always been supportive of educational and community services. He is currently a Council member of the Hong Kong Baptist University and an adjunct professor in its School of Business, as well as a frequent guest speaker at public forums at various universities. Dr Wong has served as a board member of various secondary schools over the past sixteen years. In addition, he is a member of the Fujian Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, and a board member of the China Overseas Friendship Association.

Dr Wong is a lover of the outdoors, and can often be found hiking in country parks on weekends. Dr Wong also loves travel and music. His personal motto is inspiring: "Do what interests you most, and do it with passion and perseverance."

Dr Wong has received multiple honours over the years. He was appointed a Justice of the Peace in 2010. This year, he was awarded a Bronze Bauhinia Star (BBS) for his valuable contributions to promoting trade and industrial development, as well as to the work of the Protection of Wages on Insolvency Fund Board.

Mr Chairman, for his outstanding achievements and contributions to Hong Kong, may I now present Dr David Wong Yau-kar to you for the conferment of an honorary fellowship.

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黄友嘉博士

黃友嘉博士出生於香港。他先考獲威斯康辛大學經濟學文學士學位,後獲芝加哥大學頒發經濟學碩士及經濟學博士學位。黃博士現任聯僑遠東有限公司董事總經理。

黃博士於製造業、國際貿易、企業融資和政策研究方面都具備豐富經驗,曾於 1987至 1991年期間擔任美國費城聯邦儲備銀行經濟師,目前為數間上市及非上市公司的董事。

黃博士於公共服務範疇建樹良多,在多個工商及專業團體擔任要職。他曾任香港中華廠商聯合會會長,現任香港工商專業聯會主席、香港董事學會副主席和香港專業及資深行政人員協會副會長。黃博士亦服務於多個政府和非政府諮詢及顧問組織。他現為土地及建設諮詢委員會主席、破產欠薪保障基金委員會主席、經濟發展委員會籌備小組成員、外匯基金諮詢委員會委員、香港貿易發展局理事等。黃博士亦曾任中央政策組的非全職顧問。

黃博士多年來在工商和專業界別不同的崗位上,對香港的經濟和公共事務作出重要的貢獻,包括促進貿易和投資活動、倡議改善中小型企業的營商環境、推廣企業管治及推動和諧的勞資關係。黃博士能在崗位上表現出色,緣於他長期深入參與公共政策研究和倡議工作,尤其關注有關經濟事務的議題。黃博士曾以個人及其服務工商和專業團體的名義,發表多篇政策文章。他堅信,有效的公共政策必有待嚴謹的研究和精密的思辯,而在過程中,民間團體和政府均擔當重要的角色。

黃博士一向支持教育和社區服務。他現為香港浸會大學校董暨商學院兼任教授,亦不時於大學舉行的公開論壇擔任客座講者。過去十六年,黃博士出任多間中學的校董。此外,他亦擔任福建省政協委員及中華海外聯誼會理事。

黃博士愛好戶外活動,經常在週末到郊野公園遠足。旅遊和音樂亦是黃博士的興趣。 他的座右銘很具啟發性:「做你最喜愛的事情,注入熱情,並持之以恒。」

多年來,黃博士獲頒授多項殊榮。2010年,他獲委任為太平紳士;本年獲頒授銅紫荊星章,以表揚他對推動貿易和工業發展的重要貢獻,以及在破產欠薪保障基金委員會的工作。

主席先生,為表揚黃博士的傑出成就以及對香港作出的貢獻,本人謹恭請 閣下頒授 榮譽院士銜予黃友嘉博士。

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