

Quotes:

Mr Paul Chan Mo-po, Financial Secretary of the Hong Kong government

“Like each and every one of you here, I feel proud to be a member of this university, to be part of its extraordinary journey over these six decades. There is something that is so common to us, the people of CUHK (中大人), that is, we care about the development of the university, just as much as our city and country; we are always willing to contribute to the betterment of our alma mater, just as much as we are for our community. These are the very qualities that define us, and I trust they will continue to inspire the future generations of professionals, innovators and leaders that this great university will nurture.”

Professor John Chai Yat-chiu, CUHK’s Council Chairman

“We are glad to be joined by many friends from Hong Kong, mainland China and around the world to celebrate this significant landmark in the history of the University, which affirms once again the support and trust the local and global communities have invested in us. Today, we gather here not only to revisit the cherished moments of the past 60 glorious years of our university, but also to unite the CUHK community and our friends in envisioning a prosperous future. Together, we shall continue to leverage Hong Kong’s distinctive advantages of strong support from the Mainland and being closely connected to the world, propelling the university towards a new era. We are committed to actively fulfilling our social responsibilities, promoting Chinese culture, and making significant contributions to our country and the global society. I sincerely hope our society will continue to support CUHK wholeheartedly, let’s jointly compose a brilliant new chapter.”

Professor Rocky S. Tuan, CUHK’s Vice-Chancellor and President

“Sixty years ago, our founders took on the historic mission of establishing a comprehensive research university to combine and bring out the best of tradition and modernity, as well as of Chinese and western cultures. Over the past six decades, CUHK has proven to be a magnet for talents, attracting people from local and abroad to study, to teach, and do research here, with particularly strong spirit of humanity and a deep sense of social responsibility. That is a very unique DNA inside every member of CUHK, and that makes us shine and consistently gain international acclaim and respect.

Tonight, we are here to celebrate sixty years of dedication and diligence, and to pay tribute to our founders, colleagues, alumni and students, donors and our entire network of supporters who have been working conscientiously together to compose the unique CUHK story.”

Ms Lina Yan Hau-ye, Chairperson of CUHK’s 60th Anniversary Celebration Steering Committee

“Over six decades, CUHK has created boundless impact in sectors including education, research, innovation and social service to benefit Hong Kong, mainland China and the

world, thanks to the concerted effort of members of the University, as well as unwavering support from the community. The 60th Anniversary Banquet is the pinnacle of CUHK's diamond jubilee celebrations, and we gather here to extend our heartfelt blessings to CUHK and review its achievements.

“As an alumna of CUHK, I feel extremely privileged to be entrusted with the responsibility of overseeing the 60th Anniversary Celebration Steering Committee. I wish to express my sincere gratitude to the nine Colleges, eight Faculties and various units of CUHK for their enthusiastic support of and participation in the celebration activities.”