

DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF LETTERS, *honoris causa*

Mr Peter Lee Kwok-wah

Mr Pro-Chancellor,

A far-sighted entrepreneur, a devoted philanthropist, a visionary patron of education and social services: no single description could fully express Mr Peter Lee Kwok-wah's remarkable contribution to education, charity, community services and the society at large. Mr Lee is one of the very few who can perform all these roles equally well. He has approached each of his responsibilities with energy and dedication. An exemplary role model both in business and in community spirit, he is a true inspiration for those who aspire to lead and serve the society at the highest levels.

Mr Lee is the Founder and Executive Director of the Crowning-United Group (CU Group), a conglomerate with global presence and a wide spectrum of businesses, from imaging products and automations, logistics and distribution services to industrial digitalization technology. Under Mr Lee's leadership, the CU Group has become a prominent player in the market and has developed an extensive business network covering mainland China, Japan, Europe and the US. A seasoned and insightful entrepreneur, Mr Lee has extended his talent and expertise in business to serve the community. He is widely praised for his long and distinguished community and charity services, in particular his support for higher education in mainland China and Hong Kong. An altruistic philanthropist, Mr Lee has spared no effort in helping the less fortunate. He firmly believes that education is key to empowering and enlightening souls and changing lives. He has made generous donations to build and renovate schools in less-privileged areas in mainland China. He has also set up various scholarships to encourage students from different backgrounds to realize their dreams through education. His passion in higher education benefits many tertiary institutions in Hong Kong and the mainland. He is currently the Honorary President of

Guizhou Overseas Friendship Association. He is also an Honorary Advisor of the University of Hong Kong Foundation and Director of Jinan University of Guangzhou.

Beyond education, Mr Lee has also served on various committees under Hong Kong Hospital Authority. During his tenure as a member of the Hospital Governing Committee of Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital, Prince of Wales Hospital, Queen Elizabeth Hospital and the Regional Advisory Committee of Hong Kong Hospital Authority, Mr Lee made tremendous effort in assuring high standards of governance and medical services for the benefits of patients.

Mr Lee's unfailing support for the OUHK has enabled our University to go from strength to strength. As a member of the Sponsorship and Development Fund Committee and the Steering Committee of the 25th Anniversary of the OUHK, Mr Lee has tendered valuable advice and support to facilitate the University's events and activities. Since 2014, Mr Lee has donated a substantial amount to the University for various projects, enabling multi-dimensional developments of our University. His generous donation is not just a matter of financial support, but also a reflection of his recognition of OUHK's mission and educational endeavor made over the past 29 years. In appreciation of Mr Lee's contribution to the OUHK, the University presented Mr Lee with the Honorary University Fellowship in 2015. In April 2017, Mr Lee was appointed Court member of The Open University of Hong Kong.

Mr Pro-Chancellor, in recognition of his wide-ranging and far-reaching contributions to education, charity and community services, may I invite the President to present Mr Peter Lee Kwok-wah to you for the award of Doctor of Letters, *honoris causa*.

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榮譽文學博士學位

李國華先生

副校監先生：

李國華先生不單是極具遠見的企業家，多年來更一直支持教育及不同範疇的社會服務。李先生對教育事業、慈善工作、社區服務以至社會各方面的貢獻，實在難以一一盡錄。很少人能在如此多方面均能出類拔萃，李先生卻是其中之一。無論是甚麼工作，李先生都全情投入、無私奉獻。由從商開拓以至投入社會服務，他的豐富領導經驗以及服務人群的精神，都能為我們提供無窮啟發和靈感。

李國華先生是金銘聯合集團創辦人及執行董事，集團業務遍佈世界各地，包括影像產品及自動化設備、物流發行服務，以至工業數碼化技術等多個範疇。在他的英明領導下，金銘聯合集團現時堪稱市場的翹楚，網絡橫跨不同國家和地區，包括中國內地、日本、歐洲以及美國。李先生的商界經驗非常豐富，而且甚具市場觸覺。此外，他亦將自己的才能和專長服務社會，多年來在社區和慈善事業的工作深受各方讚賞，特別是對中國內地和香港高等教育所付出的心力，尤為人稱道。對於社會上較為弱勢的社群，李先生毫不吝嗇地慷慨解囊。他深信教育擁有著神奇的力量，能夠振奮人心，並為眾多生命創造奇蹟。就此李先生曾大力捐獻，以協助中國內地較落後的地區興建學校及翻新校舍。此外，李先生亦成立了一系列的獎學金，鼓勵來自不同背景的學生透過教育實現理想，惠及本港以至內地的許多莘莘學子。李國華先生現任貴州海外聯誼會名譽會長、香港大學基金會名譽顧問以及廣州暨南大學校董。

除了教育以外，李先生亦曾擔任醫院管理局轄下多個委員會的成員。他曾獲委任為東區尤德夫人那打素醫院，威爾斯親王醫院和伊利沙伯醫院的管治委員會成員，以及醫院管理局港島區域諮詢委員會成員，並在其任內致力提升醫院管治及服務水平，使病者獲益良多。

對於香港公開大學，李國華先生多年來一直給予極大的支持，使本校的發展得以不斷更上層樓。在擔任香港公開大學資助及發展基金委員會成員以及二十五周年校慶督導委員會成員期間，他為大學的活動及計劃提出不少真知灼見，並給予大力支持。自二零一四年起，李先生向大學的各個項目捐助了為數可觀的款額，使不同方面的發展計劃得以落實。李國華先生慷慨捐款的意義，不僅在於財務上的支持，更重要的是顯示了他對公開大學過去二十九年教育使命和工作的一種肯定。為了表揚李先生對本校的貢獻，公開大學於二零一五年向其頒授榮譽大學院士。二零一七年四月，他亦獲委任為香港公開大學的諮議會委員。

副校監先生，李先生在教育事業、慈善工作以及社會服務方面貢獻良多，範疇相當廣泛，其成就堪稱我們的楷模。在此本人謹恭請校長引介李國華先生接受本大學的榮譽文學博士學位。

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