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Executive Council Report for the AGM – 14 June 2019 Johnny SHING, President

To conclude my first year of the term 2018-2020 as President of the Society, I am happy to report to members what the Executive Council (EC) has done in the past year.

Again, my sincere gratitude goes to all EC members and Co-opt members for their hard work and dedication. They include elected EC's, Mr. Au Ho Fo, Mr. Freddy Leung, Ms. Agnes Chow, Mr. Willie Tam, Mr. Tiger Wong, Mr. Nick Leung, Mr. Patrick Li and Ms. Maisie Wong, as well as co-opt members Mr. Sin Hung Ming, Mr. Trevor Yeung, Mr. Francis Sin, Ms. Fanny San and Ms. Ho Wing Man.

Maintaining CPD programmes was, is, and will still be, one of the top priorities of the Society in enhancing the knowledge and skills of our members, as well as attaining revalidated from Labur Department. Much effort has been expended in providing CPD programmes to members for this purpose and the success of that effort is attributable to the hard work of Patrick Li and other collaborating EC's. There were 3 OSH seminars and 1 site visit to Construction Innovation and Technology Application Centre (CITAC) making a total of 7 CPD points; a social gathering with member and their families was held on 31 March 2019. And there would be another 4 CPD points to be gained today, which are from the seminar held earlier this afternoon. Apart from the Chairman of the Activities Committee who have been pioneering this big function, I must also thank Fo, Freddy, Agnes, Willie and Nick in helping out in the liaison and organization work, including the most difficult part of inviting speakers and soliciting sponsors. Trevor and Maisie will also take up the important role of MC for both the Seminar cum dinner. This year, the seminar includes two parts:

- Collaboration and coordination of Occupational Health and Safety in Mega-sized -Construction Project in Hong Kong - Discussion in Occupational Health and Safety Management and practices among regulatory body, client and contractor
- Enhancing Occupational Safety and Hygiene Training and Awareness

The Society also took a collaborative and supportive attitude towards functions organized by many other organizations and associations, within and outside the field of health and safety. Many of our EC's also serve in the Industry Health & Safety Committees of the Occupational Safety and Health Council or as advisory representations in the public bodies like Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency (HKQAA), Construction Industry Council (CIC) and the Government.

The annual event of the Safe Foreman Award was jointly organized with the Lighthouse Club, under the diligent leadership of our Vice President, Mr. Au Ho Fo, and other supporting EC's. The performance of participants is much sensible and

knowledgeable. This year, the event is now under preparation. The information and deadline for entry into competition will be announced later. Interested parties should receive our information in July.

As a member of the Hong Kong Federation of Occupational Safety and Health Associations (with 8 member-organizations), Michael and I anticipate the Federation has provided a useful platform for establishing continuing dialogue with external parties, including the Labour Department, Construction Industry Council and Development Bureau etc., on OSH issues. In November 2017, a Task Force was set up by the Federation to study the RSO training, mentoring system, RSO registration, RSO system, etc. And two draft papers were prepared and forwarded to Labour Department for reference and consideration in September 2018 as the Registered Safety Officer system has been implemented for over thirty years. Finally, a meeting with Labor Department on Review of HK RSO System was held on 15 March 2019.

This year, the Society has recruited 6 full members. Credit must go to Nick.

To maintain healthy financial position of the Society, Agnes, our Honorary Treasurer has contributed a great effort in balancing the books. Members might have met her regarding your membership payment. This year, the Society will take a firmer stand on outstanding settlement of membership fee.

I must also mention Freddy, our Honorary Secretary. Without him, we cannot have efficient EC meeting agendas and minutes every month, as well as such close liaison with other sister organizations. Last but not least, we have the co-opt EC's Fanny San, Ho Wing Man, Sin Hung Ming and Trevor Yeung who offered their valuable assistance in planning, organizing and engaging in the smooth running of many activities. They are the anonymous heroes behind the scene. And also my heartfelt thank goes to the Founder President, HK Lee, as well as our previous presidents, KS Lee, Peter Tong, Rheo Lam, Michael Leung, Jesse Hau and Stephen Siu. If you find anything great within my last year of presidency, it is from the heritage of these pioneers. And this year, I must also give thanks on behalf of the entire EC to our Legal Advisor and Advisors, both local and overseas, who gave valuable advice and support to us when there was a need. Also, I must mention a key person, Mr. Kwong Chee Keung who has been our Honorable Auditor for years, making sure that every dollar of the Society was properly spent. Also needless to say, your unfailing support is crucial, and still much needed in making all the functions and events of the Society successful throughout the years, and in the years to come.

Thank you for your unfailing support to the Society.

Johnny Shing

President 2018-2020