

## 香港六宗教領袖座談會

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### **The Colloquium of Six Religious Leaders of Hong Kong Chinese New Year Message, 2020 (Year Geng Zi 庚子)**

On the occasion of the beginning of the Year of the Rat (Year Geng Zi 庚子, 2020) in the midst of economic uncertainty and social instability in Hong Kong, the Colloquium of Six Religious Leaders of Hong Kong cordially offers our blessings and prayers to all the people of Hong Kong. It is our wish that we can hold hands and walk together in the spirit of mutual respect by abandoning violence and resolving differences. We must, together, overcome the hard times with universal love and harmony so as to rebuild our home and once again recreate a beautiful Hong Kong.

We pray that the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, on one hand, can pick virtuous and capable officials of 'benevolence' and 'wisdom' to touch people's hearts and use benevolent policy to give concern to the needs of society. On the other hand, the government must establish the value orientation that befits truth and charity. Young people and students must be encouraged to learn and study conscientiously and display their innate love and wisdom. They must also be encouraged to firmly abide by the principle of peace, rationalism and non-violence while seeking social righteousness and equality etc. We will also use interreligious dialogue to 'seek common grounds while preserving diversities and work together harmoniously in one mind' so as to release the human heart from fear and anxieties. It is our greatest wish to open the door of hope for the people of Hong Kong. The saying: 'Do no evils but do all things charitable' means that, in goodness, people bear in their hearts 'benevolence, righteousness, propriety, wisdom and faith' that can shed light on the way to forgiveness and understanding.

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On the happy occasion of the auspicious New Year, we, the Six Religious Leaders must first and foremost, wish all in Hong Kong to preserve the union of the heart and soul in oneness.

We all the more cherish the wish: 'That virtue will give enlightenment to the good earth of our motherland so that all ethnic groups co-exist in harmony; that trade and the economy and technology thrive and progress ethically; that religious identity is implemented; and that the benevolence of humanism is fostered and demonstrated.

We earnestly pray that God will bestow upon Hong Kong peace and blessedness, the virtue of filial piety and the virtue of deference as well as peace to a conflict-free world.



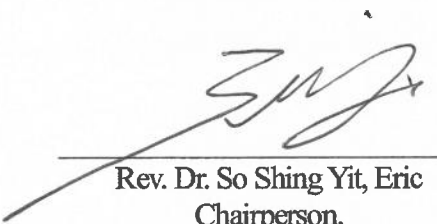
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