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 2 Tim Mei Avenue, Tamar, Hong Kong.

Attention: Ms. Amber Lau

26th November 2014

Dear Ms. Lau,

Re: Proposed Establishment of a Harbourfront Authority

In response to the public consultation concerning the proposed establishment of a Harbourfront Authority, we are pleased to enclose herewith our position paper headed "Harbourfront Authority – Statement of Principle" dated 26.11.2014. This will be formally presented at the meeting today.

Kindly consider this document as our formal representation on this matter. We are circulating it to all the relevant parties for their attention as this is a very important matter for the future of Hong Kong.

Yours sincerely,

Hardy K.C. Lok, Chairman
 Society for Protection of the Harbour

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Harbour Manifesto: To protect and preserve the harbour and enhance the harbour-front to provide a healthy environment and a good quality of life for the people of Hong Kong

維港宣言 : 保護及保存維港，並優化海濱，為香港市民，提供一個健康及優質的生活環境

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Proposed Establishment of the Harbourfront Authority

Statement of Principle

1. Hong Kong's Natural Treasure

Victoria Harbour and its harbourfront belong to the people of Hong Kong and future generations and should be treasured and wisely administered in accordance with the Protection of the Harbour Ordinance and good planning principles.

2. Enjoyment as a Harbour

The harbourfront should be used for the primary purpose of enhancing public enjoyment of the harbour as a harbour and not for the purposes of (a) property development; (b) commercial interests; and (c) raising Government revenue.

3. Enhancement of Harbour Values

Enhancement of the harbour as a harbour should be for the promotion of its scenic, environmental, social and economic values for the benefit of the community.

4. Genuine Public Participation

The planning and development of the harbour and harbourfront should be administered and controlled by the Hong Kong public through genuine public participation on the Harbourfront Authority which should be accountable to the public.

5. Selection Process of Representatives

The process of selection of the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Members of the Harbourfront Authority with regard to their (a) **nomination**; (b) **scrutiny**; and (c) **appointment** must be open and transparent, without fear or favour, truly representative of the public and should ensure that they are both able and willing to serve the community.

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2014年11月26日

建議中的海濱管理局

原則聲明

1. 香港的天然財富

維多利亞港及其海旁，是屬於香港人世世代代的天然財富，應按照保護海港條例及良好的規劃原則，珍惜和明智地管理。

2. 更優越的海港

海濱的發展，應令維港成為一個更優越的海港，提高公眾之享用，而非用作(一)房地產發展、(二)為商業利益、或(三)為增加政府財政收入。

3. 增加海港的價值

應增強維港作為一個港口的價值，為公眾利益而促進其：- 景色、環境、社交活動和商業的價值。

4. 真正的公眾參與

海濱的規劃和發展，應通過香港公眾對海濱管理局的真正參與，由公眾之代表管理及控制，並需向公眾負責。

5. 挑選委員的程序

海濱管理局主席、副主席及其委員的選擇程序，由(一)提名、(二)審查至(三)任命，均必須是：- 公開和透明，不偏不倚，真正有代表性，和應確保他們具有服務社會的抱負和才能。