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Growing up in the 1960s in one of Hong Kong's earliest public housing estates in Choi Hung, Prof. CHAN Ka-Keung Ceajer could not have foretold the great achievements he was going to accomplish, serving and supporting Hong Kong's education and molding the city into an important international financial center, while connecting China with the outside financial world.

Prof. Chan was the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury of the HKSAR between 2007 and 2017 under two chief executives, and subsequently rejoined HKUST as Senior Advisor to the Dean and Professor Emeritus in Finance to help develop the next generation of wizards for Fintech, an industry he has been devoting considerable efforts to foster.

Prof. Chan's rich expertise and experience in finance and public service landed him the senior government role, where he helped to guide Hong Kong through the global financial crisis in 2008 and introduced tax measures to cool down the overheating property market in 2012. He formed the strategic vision of developing Hong Kong into an international financial center, where Chinese companies can list and raise capital as well as manage international funds, acting as a conduit for capital flowing into and out of China.

With his exceptional leadership quality and financial acumen, Prof. Chan executed major financial projects with sound judgement. His most praised contribution was making Hong Kong a leading offshore RMB market and launching the ground-breaking Stock Connect scheme, a unique collaboration between the Hong Kong, Shanghai and Shenzhen Stock Exchanges. Moreover, he worked with the Securities and Futures Commission to promote fund management businesses, and established the independent Insurance Authority, Financial Dispute Resolution Centre, and the Investor and Financial Education Council dedicated to improving financial literacy in Hong Kong.

Seeing how quickly technology changes the payment system and banking, he had the foresight to lead Hong Kong to become an emerging Fintech center when most people hardly knew what the word meant, by positioning Hong Kong at the cutting edge of the new technologies back in 2015 with a blueprint for Fintech development. After leaving the government, Prof. Chan became a pioneer in the Hong Kong Fintech industry by joining a home-grown Fintech firm, WeLab, and becoming Chairman of its virtual bank.

When he was little, Prof. Chan always aspired to become a professor so he worked hard to become one. He earned a Bachelor's degree in economics from Wesleyan 於60年代香港公共屋邨鼻祖之一彩虹邨成長的陳家強教授,大抵從沒預料自己往後的種種成就一不僅貢獻一己所長,盡心盡力服務本地教育界,更協力構建香港成為國際頂級金融樞紐,同時推動中國與國際金融業界接軌。

陳教授於2007至2017年擔任香港特別行政區財經事務及庫務局局長,先後與兩位行政長官共事,致力促進金融業發展,其後回歸科大,以院長資深顧問兼金融學系榮休教授身份協助校方培育新一代金融科技專才。

陳教授對金融及公共服務行業均具深厚認識和豐富經驗,因而獲特區政府委以重任。任職政府期間,他協助帶領香港安然度過2008年的金融海嘯,又在2012年推出稅務措施,為當時過熱的本地樓市降溫。他高瞻遠矚,銳意將香港發展成能讓內地企業在港上市集資和管理國際基金的國際金融中心,讓資金可以進出中國市場。

陳教授擁有卓越的領導才能及敏銳的金融觸覺, 行事果敢,決斷精準,任職政府期間屢獻新猷,當 中最為人津津樂道者,首推將香港發展為主要離岸 人民幣中心,以及破天荒推出連結香港、上海和深 圳股票交易所的「滬港通」與「深港通」合作計劃。 他又與證券及期貨事務監察委員會合作,大力推動 資金管理業務,並成立獨立的保險業監管局、金融 糾紛調解中心,以及專責提升公眾金融知識水平的 投資者及理財教育委員會。

科技發展一日千里,迅速改變支付系統及銀行業的營運模式。當一般人對金融科技仍然一無所知時,陳教授已獨具慧眼,全力引領香港成爲嶄新的金融科技中心。他早於2015年已勾畫出金融科技發展藍圖,銳意協助香港走在新科技洪流的尖端。卸任局長後,他加入本地金融科技公司WeLab,並出任該公司旗下虛擬銀行的主席,身體力行,成為香港金融科技業的先鋒。

陳教授少蓄大志,立志成為教授,並坐言起行, 努力實踐目標。他是美國維思大學經濟學學士,後 於芝加哥大學深造,獲工商管理碩士及金融學博士 University and an MBA and a PhD in finance, both from the University of Chicago. He then taught in the US for nine years at Ohio State University before joining HKUST in 1993. He was later appointed as Head of the Finance Department to build up the department, hire the best faculty and foster a strong research culture to maintain the high standards he established.

In less than a decade, Prof. Chan proved himself as an exceptional leader who could excel in a high academic position. He became Dean of Business and Management at HKUST in 2002, driving for further development of the MBA and Executive MBA programs. The foundations he forged allowed the School to flourish. Between 2007 and 2020 the Executive MBA Program was ranked by the Financial Times among the top in the world 10 times, while the full-time MBA program has been ranked 13 times among the world's top 20.

After returning to academic pastures, Prof. Chan has been a keen advocate of Fintech and spearheaded related research. With the concerted efforts of Prof. Chan and other faculty members, HKUST has played a crucial role in shaping the Fintech professionals of the future by incorporating more Fintech into the existing curriculum and exploring the possibility of launching Fintech degree courses.

In addition to holding faculty positions, he was a long-serving Member of the Senate for 13 years beginning 1994, and also served as a Court Member from 1997 to 2000 and a Council Member from 2002 to 2007 of the University.

Prof. Chan took up a number of public service positions, such as Chairman of the Consumer Council, Director of the Hong Kong Futures Exchange, and a member of the Commission on Strategic Development, Commission on Poverty, the Exchange Fund Advisory Committee, the Hang Seng Index Advisory Committee, and the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications. He is former President of the Asian Finance Association and the Association of Asia-Pacific Business Schools.

He was awarded the Silver Bauhinia Star in 2007 for his distinguished public and community service, and received the Golden Bauhinia Star in 2012 for his service in the government.

We honor today Prof. Chan for his unfailing dedication to higher education and public service, as well as his relentless support for Fintech development and cross-border financial facilitation.

學位,隨後任教美國俄亥俄州立大學長達九年。他 於1993年加入科大,旋即獲任命為金融學系系主任, 肩承創建學系的重責,除延聘一流學者,更確立研 究文化,貫徹他在多方面建立的嚴謹標準。

不消十年,陳教授已充分證明自己的領導才能足以勝任高等學府管理要職。2002年,他晉升科大工商管理學院院長,進一步推動工商管理碩士 (MBA)及行政人員工商管理碩士 (EMBA)課程的發展。由他奠定的良好根基,讓學院得以茁壯成長。在2007至2020年間,科大EMBA課程連續十載在英國《金融時報》排名中高踞前列位置;全日制MBA課程亦十三度躋身全球二十強之列。

從政府回歸學術界後,陳教授熱心推動金融科技,並牽頭進行相關研究。在他與其他教學人員共同努力下,科大在培育新一代金融科技專才上扮演著關鍵性角色,除了在現有課程加入更多金融科技元素,更考慮於未來推出金融科技學士學位課程。

春風化雨之餘,陳教授亦積極參與校政,於 1994年起擔任教務委員會委員,歷時13年,並分別 於1997至2000年及2002至2007年出任大學顧問委員 會和校董會成員。

陳教授歷任公職無數,如消費者委員會主席、 香港期貨交易所董事、策略發展委員會委員、扶貧 委員會委員、外匯基金諮詢委員會委員、恆生指數 顧問委員會委員,以及香港學術及職業資歷評審局 委員。另外,他亦曾任亞太金融學會及亞太商學院 聯會主席。

鑑於陳教授在社會及公共服務範疇建樹良多, 他於2007年獲頒銀紫荊星章;2012年再添榮譽,憑 服務政府期間的重大貢獻榮獲金紫荊星章。

陳教授多年來投身高等教育及公共服務,始終 如一,並孜孜不倦推動金融科技發展及跨境金融合 作,我們謹此衷心予以表揚。