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Dr David Sin Wai-kin is a business leader who serves as a sparkling example of Hong Kong's unique spirit of enterprise. Rising from an apprentice in the local diamond trade, he went on to become the founder-chairman of Myer Jewelry Manufacturer Ltd in the 1970s and one of the foremost figures in the sector, locally and globally.

Blessed with an abundance of energy and business acumen, Dr Sin has not limited his vision to the world of gems. He is also a co-founder of property giant and diverse multinational New World Development Company Limited, serving as an executive director for over four decades. He has also served as an Independent Non-Executive Director of Hang Seng Bank Limited. Now in his mid-eighties, he is still Vice-Chairman and Independent Non-Executive Director of Miramar Hotel and Investment Company Ltd, a major player in the hospitality arena, as well as Honorary Chairman of Hip Hing Construction Company Limited. To all these endeavors, Dr Sin brought his characteristic drive for excellence.

As a jeweler, he had recognized early how design and fine workmanship were the key to adding value. As a manufacturer in Hong Kong in the 1980s, this view was ahead of its time. At Myer, he used his insight to insist on integrity in his products. His lines of jewelry covered many price ranges. But whether they cost little or a lot, all items had to be good. Aligned with modern management and investment to train up skilled craftsmen, this outlook enabled Dr Sin to take Myer into markets around the world. Quality became his mantra, and his effective advocacy for its crucial role in the jewelry sector, and for Hong Kong as a whole, has been one of his greatest achievements.

Dr Sin has also been a stalwart supporter of higher education in Hong Kong and the Mainland. His own education was cut short due to the turmoil of the Second World War. While he never allowed this missing chapter to hold back his remarkable story, it left him keenly motivated to give young people the educational opportunities he himself had not been able to enjoy. Many

冼為堅博士是商界領袖，堪為香港超卓企業精神的典範。冼博士投身本地鑽石行業由任見習生開始，七十年代自立門戶，創辦了萬雅珠寶有限公司，並出任董事長，成為業界翹楚，享譽中外。

冼博士擁有無比幹勁，而且商業觸覺敏銳，除了在珠寶業大展拳腳，同時為跨國地產企業新世界發展有限公司的創辦人之一，曾擔任該公司執行董事逾四十年。此外，他亦曾長期擔任恆生銀行有限公司獨立非執行董事。冼博士現已年過八十，仍繼續出任本港主要酒店集團美麗華酒店企業有限公司副主席兼獨立非執行董事及協興建築有限公司榮譽主席。

冼博士成就斐然，莫不秉持至臻完美的精神。身為珠寶商，他早已明白到設計和優秀的工藝，是為產品增值的要素。對八十年代的製造商來說，這無疑是積極進取。他堅持以忠誠為萬雅珠寶的營商之道，公司的珠寶系列涵蓋不同的價格水平，所有產品均屬優質。此外，萬雅珠寶採用現代化管理，並致力培訓技術人才，公司產品得以打進世界市場。質素保證不僅是冼博士恪守的原則，亦是他在珠寶業界以至香港整體提倡精益求精的精神，冼博士實是建樹良多。

冼博士熱心支持香港和中國內地高等教育。他因二次世界大戰而輟學，雖然他未能完成正規教育，卻無礙他開創成功事業，更令他積極支持年輕人的教育發展。許多大學生都曾受惠於冼為堅基金，而冼博士特別著重人文及社會科學和中國文化。冼博士從事鑽飾業務超過半世紀，他認為必須透過進一步探索人文精神面貌，才能更透徹認識自己和社會。

多年來，冼博士一直實踐他的信念，最近他在香港科技大學成立冼為堅中國文化教授席。科大的目標

university students have subsequently benefited through scholarships set up by the Sin Wai Kin Foundation. Other areas of particular focus have been the humanities, social science and Chinese culture. Helped by his immersion in the decorative arts for more than half a century, Dr Sin sees further exploration of the human condition as essential for extending our understanding of both ourselves and the communities we create.

In line with this belief, Dr Sin has recently established the Sin Wai Kin Professorship in Chinese Culture at HKUST. It is a very happy match, given the University's goal to drive social progress through global academic achievement and research at the highest levels and Dr Sin's dedication to world-class output. With education close to his heart, Dr Sin was for many years a Council Member of The Chinese University of Hong Kong. He has served as an honorary advisor to Zhongshan University and as Chairman of the Foundation of Zhongshan University Advanced Research Center. And in recognition of his championing of knowledge and his contribution to Hong Kong, he has previously received an honorary doctorate from The Chinese University of Hong Kong, and an honorary fellowship from The Open University of Hong Kong and The University of Hong Kong.

Without the benefit of an advantageous start in life or a long period of formal education, Dr Sin took it upon himself to become a lifelong learner. He has applied himself with perceptiveness to understanding the world at large and with tenacity to the highest standards. He has also helped others learn, training up thousands of craftsmen at Myer Jewelry and through his unwavering support for higher education. It is this life of positive contribution we celebrate today as we honor Dr David Sin, elder statesman of industry, generous benefactor, and dynamic representative of the Hong Kong spirit.

是透過頂尖的世界學術成就及研究，為推動社會不斷努力，這正與冼博士追求卓越的信念不謀而合。冼博士素以推動教育為念，他曾擔任香港中文大學校董多年，並是中山大學榮譽顧問及中山大學高等學術研究中心基金會主席。為表揚他對教育的支持和對香港的貢獻，香港中文大學早前向他頒授榮譽博士學位，香港公開大學和香港大學亦分別授予他榮譽大學院士銜。

雖然冼博士並非出身顯赫，亦未能接受長期正規教育，但他勤奮上進，決心終身學習。他高瞻遠矚，凡事力求盡善盡美，更不遺餘力地培育後進，包括為萬雅珠寶培訓數以千計的珠寶技師，以及竭力支持高等教育。冼為堅博士既是珠寶業界的巨擘，亦為熱心公益的大慈善家，更傳承了香港的拼搏精神，今天就讓我們藉此表揚冼博士的長期積極貢獻。