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Coming from a working-class background, Mr. Wilson FUNG Ying-Wai stands as a testament to the power of hard work in shaping one's destiny. His relentless commitment and perseverance have propelled him toward a successful career, establishing himself as a respected figure in Hong Kong's accounting profession. His life, guided by the Chinese proverb "Yin Shui Si Yuan," (飲水思源) meaning "remembering one's roots", reflects his enduring bond with his cherished city and a steadfast commitment to giving back.

Born and raised as the second among five siblings in a small, cubicle flat, Mr. Fung's early life was marked by financial constraints. With his father working as a humble shopkeeper, Mr. Fung had no alternative but to step into the working world following his A-Levels graduation in 1973. Going to university seemed like an unattainable dream.

Although higher education remained beyond his grasp, Mr. Fung's career has been nothing short of extraordinary thanks to his indomitable spirit of perseverance. Starting out as a "trainee audit assistant" at the firm now known as PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), he diligently persisted with on-the-job training while studying hard to obtain his accounting qualifications.

Persistence bore fruit when Mr. Fung was rewarded with a promotion and an opportunity to train in London for a year. Back in Hong Kong, his auditing career thrived, leading to a steady ascent up the ranks. After a distinguished 17-year stint at PwC, he moved to Canada, only to return to his home city two years later when he joined the Jardine Matheson Group, initially serving as its Financial Controller and then Group Financial Controller until his retirement in 2014.

Elevating the expertise and credentials of Hong Kong's accounting practitioners and uplifting the standards of the profession have always been Mr. Fung's vision. This vision materialized in December 2009 when he became President of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, a role that remains a source of enduring pride for him. As President, he spearheaded several key initiatives, notably introducing a new Financial Reporting Standard for Private Entities. This streamlined reporting option has made it easier for small and medium-sized enterprises to conduct business in Hong Kong. In 2014, he furthered his impact by founding the Hong Kong Business Accountants Association with the

馮英偉先生出身基層，其故事是奮鬥改變命運的最佳佐證，充滿啟發性。他努力不懈、精益求精的做事態度，讓他闖出一番事業，成為香港會計界備受尊敬的人物。「飲水思源」一直是馮先生的人生座右銘，從他對香港的深厚感情，以至回饋社會的堅定決心，可見一斑。

馮先生為家中次子，與四兄弟姐妹及雙親蝸居於板間房，父親任職售貨員，收入微薄，一家生活捉襟見肘。1973年預科畢業後，他別無選擇，只得投身社會工作，入讀大學頓成遙不可及之事。

升學夢儘管未遂，但馮先生個性堅毅，不屈不撓，最終事業騰飛，成就卓越。年輕的他入職羅兵咸永道會計師事務所（羅兵咸永道）前身，從「見習核數助理」起步，一面接受在職培訓，一面勤修苦讀，成功考取專業會計師資格。

天道酬勤，馮先生獲公司擢升，並保送至倫敦受訓一年。回港後，其會計事業發展迅速，扶搖直上。他服務羅兵咸永道長達17載，其後移居加拿大，兩年後重回香港加入怡和集團，先後出任財務總監及集團財務總監，直至2014年榮休。

作為會計界翹楚，馮先生以提升香港會計從業員的專業資格、水平及技能為己任。2009年12月，他當選香港會計師公會會長，得以一展抱負，至今仍讓他引以自豪。他任內積極推動多項措施，當中非常重要的一項改革，就是推出「私人公司財務報告準則」，為中小型企業提供較簡易的報告方案，方便他們經商。2014年，他繼續貢獻業界，創立香港商界會計師協會，希望藉此提升商界會計師的專業水平，並透過加強與內地政府機關及民營企業交流，加深他們對內地的了解。

aim of elevating business accountants' professionalism and deepening their understanding of the Mainland through interactions with government authorities and private sector businesses.

Since retirement, Mr. Fung has lent his expertise to various public bodies, including the Hong Kong Town Planning Board and its Metro Planning Committee, the Urban Renewal Fund, and the Hong Kong Productivity Council. As a board member of the Financial Reporting Council, he actively participated in regulatory reform for the auditing profession. Understanding the critical interplay between culture and business, Mr. Fung joined the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority board and served as Chairman of the Hong Kong Dance Company. In recognition of his diverse contributions and invaluable service to the community, Mr. Fung was awarded the Medal of Honour by the Hong Kong Government in 2021.

Mr. Fung's long-standing goal of nurturing talent, not just in his industry but also in the broader higher education sector — despite never having attended university himself — was realized when he was appointed as a Council Member at HKUST in 2017. Over the next six years, Mr. Fung served on five committees to help steer the University's development strategy. As Chairman of the Audit Committee, he made significant contributions to helping the University set up its own in-house internal audit function. Leveraging his insightful leadership and extensive industry experience, he enhanced the committee's effectiveness, bolstering the institution's ability to monitor and mitigate strategic risks.

Moreover, Mr. Fung's contributions transcend the financial sphere. His involvement in the Campus Development Committee was instrumental in bringing the state-of-the-art Shaw Auditorium to life, a testament to HKUST's dedication to nurturing students' holistic and whole-person development. In addition, his invaluable expertise in auditing, risk management, and resource allocation proved to be indispensable when he served as a member of the Honorary Awards Committee, the Search Committees for the Provost and Vice-President for Administration and Business, as well as the Committee on HKUST(GZ).

Today, HKUST honors Mr. Fung for his invaluable contributions to the development of Hong Kong's financial services sector and his unwavering commitment to fostering the University's advancement in Hong Kong and beyond.

退休後，馮先生仍致力以一己專長回饋社會，先後為多個公營機構出謀獻策，如城市規劃委員會及其轄下的都會規劃小組委員會、市區更新基金、香港生產力促進局等。他擔任財務匯報局董事期間，積極參與有關監管核數師的改革事務。此外，他深明文化與商業之間的相互作用，於是出任西九文化區管理局董事及香港舞蹈團主席。2021年，馮先生獲香港特區政府頒授榮譽勳章，充分肯定他在多個範疇上對社會的重大貢獻。

縱使無緣修讀大學，但馮先生素有作育菁莪之志，除會計專業外，對象更延伸至高等教育界。2017年，他獲委任為科大校董會成員。六年間，他先後加入校內五個委員會，協助制訂科大的發展策略。在擔任審計委員會主席期間，他幫助大學設立內部審計職能，厥功至偉。他目光如炬，專業經驗廣博，在其領導下，委員會的工作成效得以提升，大大加強了大學在監控及減低策略性風險方面的能力。

馮先生對科大的貢獻遠超財務範疇。他出任校園發展委員會委員時，促成先進的逸夫演藝中心落成啟用，彰顯科大對全人教育的重視與堅持。他也曾任榮譽頒授委員會、首席副校長遴選委員會、副校長（行政）遴選委員會、香港科技大學（廣州）委員會委員，充分運用其審計、風險管理及資源分配的寶貴專業知識，為科大的發展出謀獻策。

馮英偉先生在促進香港金融服務業方面貢獻良多，在推動科大於香港內外的發展方面不遺餘力，科大今天衷心予以表揚。