

Council Chairman Mr Bernard Chan, Deputy Council Chairman Ms Sophia Kao, President Chan Yuk-shee, Honorary Fellows, Lingnanians, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am most honoured to be awarded the Honorary Fellow by Lingnan University. I am particularly privileged in this occasion to be able to address the audience, representing Mr Chong Hok-shan, Mr Leo Kung Lin-cheng, JP, the Hon Abraham Shek Lai-him, SBS, JP, Mr Benedict Wong Chung-mat, the other four Honorary Fellows who are top notch industrialists, exemplary society leaders and Honourable Legislator.

For those colleagues and Lingnanians who have witnessed with me Lingnan's growth over the years, every time when a student or staff of the University achieves a recognition, you will share this feeling that such an achievement was not easy to get by: a reflection of the sentiment that Lingnan has been a newer, smaller university that has to continue to strive for achievements. The previous President Edward Chen Kwan-yiu and the current President Chan Yuk-shee never fail to take every opportunity to remind students and staff not to be complacent, motivate them to continue to excel against the odds.

As an ordinary man, I was merely maximizing my available times when I was young, and to equip myself with more knowledge and skills. When I was lucky to have joined a tertiary institution exposing myself to professional examinations, I worked hard to gain extra margins for added security. Thereafter, adopting a verse from the Analects of Confucius: "A man should say, I am not concerned that I have no place, I am concerned how I may fit myself for one. I am not concerned that I am not known, I seek to be worthy to be known.", I keep gaining additional exposures and seek to apply them for the benefit of the accounting profession, the finance industry and the society. This happens to be in line with Lingnan University's philosophy in bringing up students and seeking continuous improvements, which makes me feel at home whenever I participated in the University's activities over the past ten years or so.

Amidst this unprecedented economic correction of the century, the importance of always maintaining a sense of risk cannot be more exemplified. I firmly believe that students of Lingnan University and Lingnanians at large will ride this tsunami safely, and will more treasure what you have, offer the society more embracement, support and contribute to harmony.

Each of Mr Chong Hok-shan, Mr Leo Kung Lin-cheng, JP, the Hon Abraham Shek Lai-him, SBS, JP and Mr Benedict Wong Chung-mat has exemplary achievements in his own field and has contributed enormously to the society. Let me once again represent them to express our heartfelt thanks to the Council in conferring upon us this very great honour, and to everybody, not least our families, who gave us encouragement and support. We pledge to try our best to repatriate to the University in whatever way we can, and we wish Lingnan University further excellence.

主席陳智思先生、副主席高靜芝女士、陳玉樹校長、幾位榮譽院士、各位嶺南人、各位嘉賓：

我很榮幸能獲嶺南大學頒授榮譽院士。對能代表莊學山先生、孔令成太平紳士、石禮謙議員太平紳士、王忠秣先生四位一同獲頒榮譽院士榮銜的業界翹楚，社會賢達及尊貴議員致謝辭，更是與有榮焉。

對與我一起見證嶺南大學成長的同袍和嶺南人，在每一次嶺南大學或其師生獲得成就及認可的時候，一定會與我一樣感受到成就確實得來不易。這反映了一所較新、規模較小的專上學院需要不斷逆流而上的心態。上任校長陳坤耀教授及現任校長陳玉樹教授也不斷在每次嶺南大學取得成就的同時，倍加鼓勵師生不要自滿，要不斷積極從逆境中奮鬥爭取更好成績。

作為一個平凡的人，我只是在年輕時盡量利用時間充實自己，有幸考進大專參加專業公開試，本著得來不易的心態，努力爭取更好的成績及牢記著孔子的教誨，以「不患無位，患所以立；不患莫己知，求為可知也」的理念，不斷的增進見識，然後用之於專業和社會。這與嶺南大學培育學生，追求上進的宗旨，不謀而合，也是令我在十多年來參與嶺南大學的各種活動時，倍覺無拘無束。

處身於世紀金融大調整的年代，正正突顯了常常保持危機感的重要性。我相信嶺南大學的學生以至一眾嶺南人，定能安然渡過，從而更珍惜現有的一切，對社會更包容，扶助及對和諧作出貢獻。

莊學山先生、孔令成太平紳士、石禮謙議員太平紳士和王忠秣先生每位都在其領域上取得過人成就，對社會作出無數貢獻。在此，我謹代表他們再次感謝校董會頒授崇高的榮譽院士給我們，同時更感謝各位的鼓勵和支持，尤其是我們的家人，我們承諾會盡力回饋嶺南大學，並祝嶺大百尺竿頭，更進一步。