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香港六宗教領袖 二零零六年(丙戌年)新春賀詞

春風送暖,百花爭妍,欣逢歲首,我六宗教同人恭祝香港各界人士福 隨時至,快樂安康,並祝香港社會和諧,民生安定。回顧過去一年,曾特 首接任之後,以強政勵治,福為民開為施政綱要,我六宗教同人,寄予厚 望。目前吾人有感於社會有不少病態賭徒,每因欠下巨債,飽受高利貸壓 迫之苦,嚴重破壞家庭正常生活,身心時處困擾痛苦之中。賭博為害,一 言難盡,希望當局將力戢賭風列為施政綱要之一,他如時見有自毀生命之 社會新聞報導,及青少年之暴戾行為,更有尚在童年便已結黨欺凌,深信 與在學時期缺少修身教育有關,希望有關當局亟謀對策,改良教育質素, 深信中華民族傳統文化各種美德,為建立和諧家庭之根基,而社會源於家 庭,縱觀今日社會,年青人不少對家庭及社會責任感嚴重低落,家庭暴力 時有發生,夫妻離異,視為常事。由於網吧林立,傳播內容每多不健康之 訊息, 戕害青少年心靈, 父母難於管教, 師長亦無能為力, 已成為現代社 會一大隱憂,深望執政有司,亟謀對策,以正民風:而安社會。我宗教同 人致力引導世人,注重精神生活,防止心靈污染,期望與特區政府並肩攜

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Lunar Year Message (2006) from the Leaders of Six Religions in Hong Kong

Warm spring breezes and vying blossoms joyously announce the beginning of another year. The Leaders of Six-Religions in Hong Kong gladly offer good wishes of happiness, good health, plentifulness, stability and harmony in our homes and society for everyone in Hong Kong in the New Year.

Reflecting on the past year, we recall our buoyant anticipation upon the coming into office of our Chief Executive, Mr. Donald Tsang, and we cherish ardent hopes over his pledge to strive for strong governance for the betterment of the people of Hong Kong.

Presently, we view with much concern the prevalence of excessive gambling in our society. The increasing number of excessive gamblers among us incur huge gambling debts, and the unrelenting pressures from loan sharks inflict immense physical and emotional pain upon them and devastate their family life. The harm of gambling is beyond simple enumeration, and we urge the authorities to include the halting of any further spread of gambling as one of its governing priorities.

We also note with distress the frequent reporting in our mass media of suicides and youth violence, with extreme cases of children grouping into gangs to bully and extort. We truly believe that such lapses reflect the lack of character formation in the school education we provide, and we appeal for speedy measures to upgrade the education offered in our schools.

We believe that the virtues embedded in Chinese culture and tradition are the building blocks of harmonious families, and families make society. Yet, we see that many among our younger generation have a greatly-eroded sense of responsibility toward their family and the society they live in. Violence within the home is frequent and divorces are common. The ever-present inter-net cafes are holding a detrimental spell over our young and the many unwholesome messages they spread render to naught the efforts to guide and teach from parents and teachers. This poses a lethal silent threat to the well-being of our society, and we plead with ministers concerned to effectively remedy this grave abuse.

We in the religious sector take this opportunity to declare once again our dedication and commitment to inspire and safeguard the inner spiritual wholesomeness of the people we serve, and pledge our close cooperation with the SAR government in affirming the positive and uplifting moral standards.

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