



Let me begin by saying what an honour and privilege it has been to serve as President for the past four years. Ever since I began my association with the Federation in 1987, I have been able to see and understand first hand the concerns, hopes and aspirations of Hong Kong's young people, while also seeing how the services of the Federation have grown and adapted to meet these changing needs.

What has struck me is how services have become more inclusive and complementary, amalgamating different areas into one. Take two new initiatives that have been implemented in the last four years as examples. NEIGHBOURHOOD First, which combines leadership training, volunteer services, online connectivity with very specific care for one's neighbours. Or M21, the Federation's flagship multimedia centre that not only provides young people the opportunity to be creative and innovative in producing their own broadcasts or films, but also through topical and interesting programmes, educates and enlightens, as well as counsels and assists.

These are just two examples, but they illustrate the vision and the passion of the Federation for always ensuring that young people come first.

For me, I have most enjoyed seeing young people's creativity in the arts, music, science, technology and innovation. The Federation's numerous programmes and activities that cater to these areas have showcased great talents which continue to make us all proud.

None of this would have been possible without the hard work and commitment of the staff under the able leadership of the Executive Director. I am overwhelmed by all they do and from the bottom of my heart I say 'thank you' to them all.

As an organisation, we have also been blessed by the support of many in the community. They encourage us, assist us and

put their trust in what we do. To each and every individual and organisation I also say a heartfelt 'thank you'.

I would particularly like to mention the various government departments and agencies, including the Labour and Welfare Bureau, the Social Welfare Department, the Labour Department, the Home Affairs Bureau, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, the Education Bureau, the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau, the Innovation and Technology Commission, Environmental Protection Department, the Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks, the Tourism Commission, Narcotics Division, Airport Authority Hong Kong and Hong Kong Arts Development Council. I must also thank the Lotteries Fund, The Community Chest of Hong Kong, The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, the Quality Education Fund, the Community Investment and Inclusion Fund, Beat Drugs Fund, the Sir David Trench Fund for Recreation, The Verdant Foundation, Hongkong Bank Foundation, The Keswick Foundation, Lee Hysan Foundation, Li Ka Shing Foundation and Au Bak Ling Charity Trust. We are equally grateful for the support from Hang Seng Bank, Standard Chartered Bank (Hong Kong) Limited, Prudential Hong Kong Limited and Lisa's Collection.

Finally, my colleagues on the Council. They have helped me carry out my responsibilities with great love and patience. I am so appreciative of all their time and expertise and I know that they will continue their helping hand to my successor.

In 2010 the Federation celebrated its Golden Jubilee. This was a wonderful occasion when we could look back in celebration and joy to thank our friends, partners and the general public for their trust in us. As I step down, I can only wish the Federation continued success for the next 50 years and beyond, always determined in their selfless service to the youth of Hong Kong.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Peter Tsoi'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a small dot at the end.

Peter Tsoi Ting-kwok