## Mrs Loretta Shuen Leung Lai-sheung Honorary Fellow

## Citation

Born in the Mainland and raised in Hong Kong, Mrs Loretta Shuen Leung Lai-sheung obtained her undergraduate degree in the Social Sciences from The University of Hong Kong. Having developed a keen interest in accounting due to its crucial role in the business world, she pursued further studies and received a Master's degree in Accounting from the University of New England in Australia.

Mrs Shuen commenced her long professional career with over 10 years' service in the Hong Kong Inland Revenue Department. The ever-changing focus and intricate international aspects of tax legislation sparked her interest in taxation. She became head of the tax department of an investment bank in Hong Kong before moving to Ernst & Young (now EY), one of the Big Four accounting firms in the world. There she became a partner, serving as South China Leader of Tax Services and Greater China Leader of Business Tax Compliance Services before retiring in the summer of 2013.

A fellow of CPA Australia and of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Mrs Shuen has served CPA Australia in various capacities over the years, including as President of the Greater China Division, and Chairperson of the Taxation Committee of the Division.

Mrs Shuen attributes her professional accomplishments to the "three P's": persistence, proactive behaviour and passion. These are career values that she has consistently imparted to the many students she has mentored over the years, and continues to believe in and promote today.

In her retirement, Mrs Shuen's main commitment is "giving back to the community". Accordingly, she uses her professional experience and expertise to help young people and children in Hong Kong, in particular the less advantaged, to bridge the gap between their performance in school and their true learning potential. She sits on the Council and various Council Committees of The Pathways Foundation, a non-profit charitable organisation specialising in helping children with dyslexia, providing management and strategic advice and running workshops to help youngsters transition from school to work.

Lingnan University has also benefitted from her commitment to the community and her passion for education. She has served the University as a Council member since 2010, playing a major role on Council Committees, sub-committees and task forces, often as Chairperson, and was Treasurer from 2012 to 2018.

Mrs Shuen still advises Lingnan on its undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. She is a member of both the Accounting Advisory Board and the Risk and Insurance Management Advisory Board, where she has played a major part in supporting the development of one of Lingnan's

flagship programmes, the BBA (Hons) Risk and Insurance Management Programme. Through these endeavours, she helps to train members of the new generation to become future leaders of the community.

Mr Chairman, in recognition of her professional achievements and extensive contributions to education in Hong Kong and to Lingnan University in particular, may I present Mrs Loretta Shuen Leung Lai-sheung for the conferment of an honorary fellowship.

Citation written and delivered by Professor Richard Simmons

## 孫梁勵常女士

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## 贊辭

孫梁勵常女士於內地出生,在香港長大,是香港大學社會科學系本科畢業生。孫太 了解到,會計在商業社會中起著至關重要的作用,故持續進修,繼而獲得澳洲新英格蘭 大學會計學碩士學位。

孫太的事業始於稅務局的工作,服務年期超過10年。稅務法例牽涉面廣而複雜,讓孫太對稅務工作越感興趣。孫太擁有傑出的能力及豐富的經驗,能在瞬息萬變的國際稅務範疇中運籌帷幄,因而獲委任為香港一間投資銀行稅務部門的主管。孫太其後加盟「四大」之一的安永會計師事務所,當上其合伙人,並曾任稅務部華南區主管及企業稅務合規及申報服務大中華區主管,直至2013年夏天榮休。

身為澳洲會計師公會及香港會計師公會的會員,孫太曾為澳洲會計師公會擔當不同 職責多年,包括澳洲會計師公會大中華區分會會長及其稅務委員會主席等。

孫太以「3 Ps」歸納其事業成功之道:堅持不懈(Persistency)、自強不息 (Proactiveness)及工作熱誠(Passion) —— 孫太一直堅信「3 Ps」是事業成功的要素,而無數受她指導的學生當然亦會承傳師訓,奉「3 Ps」為圭臬。

孫太退休後,回饋社會是首要的「工作」。她致力運用其專業經驗及技能,幫助香港的年輕人及學童,特別是較弱勢的一群,盡力令他們發揮學習的潛能,從而提升他們的學業成績。她在非牟利慈善團體「博思會」義務擔任執行幹事及其委員會委員,致力幫助讀寫障礙兒童。不光在管理及策略發展上給予專業意見,更親身主持工作坊,以協助年輕人面對及解決從學校過渡到職場中所遇到的困難。

此外,孫太對社區及教育事務的工作亦不遺餘力,嶺南大學同樣受惠 —— 自2010年起,孫太一直是嶺大校董會成員,並在其委員會及工作小組中擔當舉足輕重的角色,而2012至2018年間,孫太更擔任嶺大的司庫。

今天,對於嶺大本科及碩士課程中的會計及有關學科的發展,孫太不時都會提供寶貴的意見。身兼大學會計學諮詢委員會和風險及保險管理諮詢委員會成員,她在嶺大的重點課程「風險及保險管理」,擔當了重要的角色。孫太致力培育新世代的學子,希望他們能成為未來的社會領袖,將來回饋社會。

為表揚孫太的專業成就及她為香港教育 — 特別對嶺大 — 所作的偉大貢獻, 我謹請 主席閣下頒發榮譽院士銜予孫梁勵常女士。

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