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## **A New Chapter for HKDC**

We are pleased to announce the Hong Kong Democracy Council (HKDC)'s transition into its next chapter. We welcome a new roster of leadership, who aspire to strengthen HKDC's institutional foundation for its long-term success. In addition to building on our past advocacy accomplishments, we are committed to cultivating a robust and inclusive Hong Kong diasporic community as we mark our second anniversary.

Effective immediately, our founding Board President, Anna Yeung-Cheung, is retiring from her position. She is succeeded by Alex Chow, a prominent leader of the Umbrella Movement, as the incoming Board Chair. June Lin is stepping into the Board, bringing to us her extensive nonprofit experience in the promotion of global democratic development. Brian Leung will serve as the incoming Executive Director as he guides HKDC through this period of change and growth. The staff team will also comprise Anna Kwok, our Strategy and Operations Associate.

We are likewise honored to welcome three new members with a strong record of championing freedom and democracy for Hong Kong into our Advisory Board: Sunny Cheung, Ted Hui, and Teng Biao. They will join Convener Nathan Law, Ki Choy, Larry Diamond, Sharon Hom, Thomas E. Kellogg, Andrew J. Nathan, and Jeffrey Ngo in offering HKDC invaluable prowess across academic, advocacy, human rights, and political arenas.

Our work begins afresh this week with a vigorous schedule of meetings and events with policymakers in Washington. Meanwhile, we are fostering a cohesive network with both grassroots and international organizations. In the National Security Law era, when Hong Kong's civil society is under duress, maintaining dynamism and solidarity in our efforts is more important than ever.

We appreciate our past leadership for building HKDC into what it is today. We, too, thank the public for all your long-standing support. We promise to transform HKDC into a more collaborative platform, amplify the voice of Hong Kongers, and continue our fight for a democratic Hong Kong.

Alex Chow  
Incoming Board Chair

Brian Leung  
Incoming Executive Director

Nathan Law  
Convener, Advisory Board