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The New Generation's Views on the Hong Kong Spirit and Hong Kong's Future

As mentioned by the old generation, terms like fragile, rash, indolent are best adjectives to describe the post 80's. We are frustrated after failing a test and blame others, start a business without careful considerations, and do not work hard for our dreams – we do behave in these ways, but not always. As a matter of fact, we are always inspired by what the old generation did in the past. As a result, the new generation has a number of good attributes inherited from the old generation.

In general, all Hong Kong people have never-give-up spirits. I see the inexhaustible flame passes on generation to generation in the aspect of learning.

We often hear that Hong Kong people made painstaking effort in learning, so do the new generation. The Chief Executive of HKSAR Donald Tsang was a hard-working student when he was studying in secondary school and university. Before Mr. Tsang becomes the chief executive, he had been civil servant in many different government departments for more than 30 years. Even though Mr. Tsang needs to face many challenges every day, he just overcame them one by one. In 2009, a girl suffering from hearing disability achieved 10As in the Certificate Examination. She is as hardy as Mr. Tsang. Despite the disability, she was not in despair. Instead of worrying about the disadvantage she got, she tried to overcome the problems occur in listening tests, so that she could perform normally as other students did. Regardless of the challenges, the young generation tries their best to achieve their goals.

On the other hand, things happening surrounding us ignite people's supportive spirits. In the aspect of morality, I see millions of Hong Kong people often offer helping hands to the needy, and help to build a harmonious society.

Whenever natural hazards happen in any part of the world, charity organizations launch fund raising activities, in which all Hong Kong people would participate. In Sichuan earthquake 2008 and Qinghai earthquake 2010, activities held by voluntary organizations were not rarely found, but local associations and unions also racked

their brains and call on people to donate money, a dollar from each of us can contribute to rescue work. Furthermore, many voluntary workers helped do voluntary and recovery work after the occurrence of earthquakes. Wong Fok Wing, a voluntary worker in Qihai earthquake, was supportive to the hazard. He even exchanged himself for the lives of other victims. Hong Kong people are more cohesive to help one another on the same earth. People are willing to offer a helping hand even they need to make sacrifices.

With the valuable spirits held by Hong Kong people, I expect Hong Kong's future is getting brighter. If the spirits continue glowing, Hong Kong would step forward to a more recognized metropolitan city. They have great impacts to our future. If more people have a chance of gaining higher education level, Hong Kong will have a greater chance of retaining the international position. Of course, we cannot put our morality aside, as it cannot be vanished in today's society. I, as a secondary school student, think that Hong Kong people's spirit is so distinctive that is worthwhile to pass it on. Even Hong Kong is facing challenges from other cities like Shanghai, the future is no longer murky. It must have potential to be a tiny shining star and display our good attributes to other big countries.

Being hardy and morally upright are essential to human beings. Spirits pass on and on. Do what we should do to make our Hong Kong an ideal place.