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Dear Carrie

Policy Address 2009/10 Initiatives on Conserving Central and Revitalization of Industrial Buildings

Thank you for your two separate letters dated 14 October 2009 sharing with the Hong Kong Institute of Architects on our government's plans on Conserving Central and Revitalization of Industrial Buildings as unveiled in the Chief Executive's Policy Address 2009-2010.

The Institute appreciates that our government has taken the right direction in addressing the need to strike a balance between economic development and cultural conservation of our city, and also our government's endeavour and commitment in conserving the heritage of the Central, enhancing the harbourfront and pursuing more greening and connectivity in a comprehensive manner to showcase the uniqueness of the Central while adding new life and vibrancy to the area for enjoyment by the public. The Institute is also delighted to know that our government has devised a series of measures to support the growth of our economy, in particular, the six advantageous economic areas, including the policy initiatives to encourage the redevelopment and conversion of existing industrial buildings.

The Institute has attended the briefing session on Conserving Central held on 16 October 2009 at the Hong Kong Heritage Discovery Centre, and we would like to request, for your kind consideration, for a separate briefing for HKIA to enable members to understand more about the policy initiatives on Revitalising Industrial Buildings.

The Institute has been pursuing the conservation of the Central Market and shall submit our views and comments on Conserving Central as well as Revitalising Industrial Buildings. The Institute is pleased and ever ready to offer assistance to our government and the community on the execution of the initiatives.

Yours sincerely

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