## 房屋署副署長(發展及建築) 馮宜萱女士演辭

伍達倫博士、各位來自建造、維修保養、物業管理和清潔行業 的合作伙伴、各位嘉賓、各位同事:

歡迎大家出席「安全約章簽署儀式暨安全研討會」, 一起推動安全文化。

我們相信「工地安全,人人有責」,「安全做好,質素提高」,大家要維持高水平的安全表現,必須防患未然。一向以來,香港房屋委員會透過採購策略及合約條款,循序漸進地推動業務伙伴實施更安全的作業模式。在 2006 年,新工程工傷意外率已下降至每 1,000 名工人 11.5 宗,而在維修保養工程方面,意外個案亦持續減少。我們轄下工程的安全表現不斷進步,令人欣慰,但是我們不會因此而自滿。

最近本港接連發生嚴重工業意外,引起社會各界關注,我們亦要督促承辦商提高警覺,加倍注意安全。我們要求 跟我們有合約的承辦商及名冊上全部承辦商簽署安全約章,承 諾訂定最高的安全標準及確保工作場所安全健康。各有關單位 和業務伙伴亦將會一起簽署安全約章,承諾鞏固安全文化。 今天的活動得以成功舉辦,全賴職業安全健康局替我們一起策劃,「房屋署工地安全小組委員會」所有常任成員鼎力支持,和各位業界精英跟我們分享安全管理的寶貴經驗。我向他們深表致謝。

陳鎮源署長十分重視今天的活動,即使在假期中不能 親自出席,但是他仍然堅持跟大家攜手共建安全文化。本着 「關懷爲本」 的精神,我們希望藉着今次的活動,向所有參 加者清晰地灌輸安全信息,發動業界,齊心協力鞏固安全文 化,好讓員工「開開心心上班去,平平安安回家來」。

多謝大家。

## Speech by Ms Ada FUNG Yin-suen, Deputy Director (Development and Construction), Housing Department

Dr NG, dear partners from the construction, maintenance, property management and cleansing industries, honourable guests, fellow colleagues,

Welcome to the Safety Charter Signing and Forum to join hands in promoting for a safety culture.

We believe that "workplace safety is everybody's business" and "good safety practices bring better quality". To maintain a high safety standard, prevention is always the key factor. The Housing Authority has been progressively motivating contractors to draw up safe working practices through its procurement strategies and contractual requirements. As a result, the accident rate in new works has dropped to 11.5 cases per 1 000 workers in 2006 and the rate in maintenance works has also continued to decrease. While we are delighted to see continuous improvement in our safety performance, we won't be self-contented.

In view of the recent series of severe industrial accidents in the territory which have aroused great concern in society, we found it necessary to alert contractors to attach more importance to safety. Contractors undertaking Housing Authority contracts and all those on our lists are required to sign the

Safety Charter, pledging their commitment to setting the highest safety standard and to maintaining a safe and healthy workplace. Other parties concerned and our business partners will also join us for the Charter signing as a commitment to reinforcing the safety culture.

The success of today's event is attributed to the concerted efforts and full support of the Occupational Safety and Health Council and all members of the Housing Department Site Safety Sub-committee, and the industry experts for sharing their valuable experience on safety management. May I express my profound gratitude to all of them.

Our Director, Mr Thomas CHAN Chun-yuen, pays much regard to today's event. Though he is not able to be with us today, he is always eager to join hands with all of you to foster a safety culture. With "Caring" in mind, we would like to take today's opportunity to convey to all participants a clear message of the promotion of safety and to motivate the industry to strive together for a safety culture so that all workers can "go to work with a joyful heart and return home with a safety pass".

Thank you.