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卡城華人耆英會自一九八五年成立,于茲三十載矣。期間三易其址,始於戲院舊址,再賃地庫陋室,至今安座廣廈,全憑歷屆理事義工,篳路藍縷,籌款五載,終有所成。初期活動,僅限於方城之戲,進而有戲曲會友,絃歌不綴,知音雲集。根基既穩,會友日增,會譽日隆,遂萌服務社區之志。幸蒙各界賢達行業精英,鼎力相助出謀獻策,向市府申請撥款,聘用員工為華人長者申領福利排難解憂,成績斐然。

今日之耆英會康樂旅遊文化教育醫療健康資訊活動式式俱備,外展工作涵括三級政府服務資訊、福利申請、義務報稅、普及公民權益。各項成果不單廣受華人稱譽,更受主流社會所推崇。撫今追昔,方知進步之大,成功之道,全憑執事諸君拳拳服務之心。 本人年逾期頤,有幸得見先賢理想實現,欣喜莫名,不揣孤陋,謹綴數言,以勵後進。

CCECA was founded in 1985, and it has been 30 years since then. During this period, CCECA has moved its office three times. At first the office was located at the old address of a cinema, then it was moved to a modest basement, and finally it was moved to the present grand building. The expansion was achieved by all the previous directors and volunteers who had put in their effort and engaged in fund–raising for five years. When CCECA was first established, it offered only the mah–jong playing program. Later, its activities included the gatherings of the Chinese Opera fans. As its foundation became stable, its membership grew and its reputation became established. Eventually it set itself a goal which is to serve the community. It is fortunate to have great support from many community leaders and professionals who help the association to apply for local government funding, and to recruit staff for assisting the seniors in applying for social benefits and in solving their problems. The results of all these were impressive.

Today, CCECA offers a variety of services in areas such as recreation, travel, culture, education, health, and information updates. It also offers outreach services which include providing information updates on the three—tier government services, applying for benefit, filing tax return, and popularizing civic rights. The various accomplishments were not only widely praised by the Chinese community, but were also highly regarded by the mainstream society. By looking back, we realized that we have made great progress. The hard work and dedication of all directors, volunteers and staff members are the keys to our success. At my old age, it is a blessing for me to see the dream of the previous leaders come true. With great delight, I would like to give a few words of encouragement to the young generation, hoping that they will also strive for success.