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Fellow Members,

On behalf of the Standing Committee of the 13th National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC), I present this report on our work for your deliberation.

I. 2021 in Review: Fulfilling Our Duties with a Focus on Implementing the 14th Five-Year Plan and Embarking on a New Journey

Last year was a milestone in the history of the Communist Party of China (CPC) and the history of the People's Republic of China. Confronted with a complicated international landscape and the challenging tasks of pursuing reform and development and ensuring stability at home, the CPC Central Committee with Comrade Xi Jinping at its core rallied and led the entire Party and the Chinese people in responding with composure to once-in-a-century changes taking place in the world and a once-in-a-century pandemic. We celebrated the CPC's centenary, triumphed in the battle against poverty on schedule, achieved the First Centenary Goal of building a moderately prosperous society in all respects, embarked on a new journey toward the Second Centenary Goal of building a modern socialist country in all respects, and got off to a good start with the 14th Five-Year Plan.

The Resolution of the CPC Central Committee on the Major Achievements and Historical Experience of the Party over the Past Century, which was adopted at the Sixth Plenary Session of the 19th CPC Central Committee, brought greater unity and cohesion to the whole Party and the entire nation and further fortified our conviction and determination to learn from history and create a bright future.

Under the strong leadership of the CPC Central Committee, the CPPCC National Committee and its Standing Committee followed the guidance of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era; enhanced our consciousness of the need to maintain political integrity, think in big-picture terms, follow the leadership core, and keep in alignment with the central Party leadership; increased our confidence in the path, theory, system, and culture of socialism with Chinese characteristics; and stiffened our determination to uphold General Secretary Xi Jinping's core position on the CPC Central Committee and in the Party as a whole, and to uphold the CPC Central Committee's authority and its centralized, unified leadership.

Bearing in mind the importance of pursuing unity and democracy and preserving the nature and position of the CPPCC, we strengthened theoretical and political guidance with a focus on celebrating the CPC's centenary, fulfilled our duties with a view to facilitating a good start to the 14th Five-Year Plan, and enhanced the CPPCC's role as a specialized consultative body with the goal of improving its institutional efficacy. We thus made new contributions to the development of the undertakings of the Party and the country.

1. Focusing on the celebration for the CPC's centenary and consolidating shared political foundations

We carried out programs to educate people about the history of the CPC in particular but also the history of the People's Republic of China, reform and opening up, and the development of socialism. These educational programs were launched at different levels, with National Committee members who are also CPC members playing a leading role and inspiring non-CPC members. We highlighted the unique features of the CPPCC, encouraged National Committee members to play a principal role, and devoted our energy to building consensus. The emphasis of these history study programs was placed on strengthening our understanding, conviction, integrity, and diligence.

We convened a conference for members of the CPPCC National Committee to exchange experience in studying General Secretary Xi Jinping's speech delivered at the ceremony marking the CPC's centenary, at which all participants expressed their resolve to embark on the new journey toward realizing the Second Centenary Goal under the leadership of the CPC.

We conducted inspections, surveys, and research tours at local revolutionary education bases, and organized an inspection tour of Jiangxi and Guizhou for a group of National Committee members from 34 social sectors, which was a valuable review of the CPC's grand history and a profound experience for all participants.

We produced and released committee-member lecture programs including one on the theme of "Carrying Forward the Spirit of Communists". We organized visits to an exhibition on the history of the CPC entitled "Staying True to Our Founding Mission", and staged exhibitions on the Eighth National Congress of the CPC and on precious historical materials related to the origins of the flags of the Party, the country, and the army.

Through these experiential learning activities, our members became firmer in their ideals and convictions.

We oriented our 48 reading groups toward studying CPC history, with 385 National Committee members serving as group leaders and reading guides. More than 270,000 reflections on readings were shared by members, which received over 1.42 million views online. We organized offline reading and lecture programs on classic revolutionary works, and encouraged participants to use these as an opportunity to share their impressions and pool strength.

We convened meetings of the Standing Committee and the Chairpersons Council to study the guiding principles of the Sixth Plenary Session of the 19th CPC Central Committee immediately after its conclusion. Through mechanisms such as study seminars on Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era and awareness-raising tours for special tasks, we promoted thorough implementation of relevant principles, guided members in recognizing the decisive significance of the establishment of both Comrade Xi Jinping's core position on the Party Central Committee and in the Party as a whole and the guiding role of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, and raised their awareness of the need to uphold General Secretary Xi Jinping's core position on the Party Central Committee and in the Party as a whole, and uphold the CPC Central Committee's authority and its centralized, unified leadership in thinking, political orientation, and action.

2. Deliberating and offering suggestions on central tasks of the CPC and the country to ensure a good start to the 14th Five-Year Plan

We executed the annual consultation plan in spite of the challenges brought by the Covid-19. In the past year, we conducted 25 consultation sessions, organized 82 inspections, surveys, and research tours, filed 5,039 proposals, and collected and distributed 867 conference speeches. This served the CPC and the state well in decision-making and policy implementation.

Focusing on high-quality development, we convened a consultative meeting of the Standing Committee on fostering a new pattern of development, and carried out research and deliberations on various issues. These included the following: expanding domestic demand as a strategic priority, removing key obstacles to economic flows, preserving and utilizing germplasm resources, accelerating the launch of new major national science and technology programs, reinforcing China's strategic science and

technology capabilities, implementing the Development Plan for the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, coordinating the development of city clusters along the middle reaches of the Yangtze River, systematically planning for new types of infrastructure, promoting high-quality development of multimodal transportation, and steering healthy development of the online gaming industry.

With people's wellbeing in mind, we convened a consultative meeting of the Standing Committee on elevating the Peaceful China initiative to a higher level, and organized consultations on consolidating and expanding achievements in poverty reduction and addressing population aging.

We offered suggestions, inspired by field studies, on a wide range of issues, including boosting development and raising living standards in border areas in the new era, building a high-quality education system, reinforcing the nationwide network for safeguarding public health, preserving and developing traditional Chinese medicine resources, building more public medical centers and clinics in rural areas and improving their management, formulating a social assistance law, and bolstering development and security in border areas.

With a view to advancing ecological progress, we intensified oversight of the handling of a key proposal on strengthening environmental protection and measures for adapting to climate change on the Qinghai-Tibet Plateau. We also organized consultations concerning ecological progress in the Yellow River basin, carbon peaking and carbon neutrality, the protection of ecosystems at key lakes, and urban sewage treatment.

In support of high-level opening up, we held consultative forums on implementing key opening up measures in the 14th Five-Year Plan, boosting China's overall competitiveness in foreign trade, developing the Hainan Free Trade Port, and raising the quality and effectiveness of law enforcement and judicial practice in foreign-related areas.

3. Enriching the content of CPPCC consultation and performing the functions of the CPPCC as a specialized consultative body more effectively

We reinforced the fundamental function of special committees, adopted new means and methods of consultation, and reached greater depth in consultations, thus improving our performance in our work.

We initiated consultative forums for specialists, bringing together specialists from different social sectors and academic disciplines for rounds of in-depth, closed-door consultations. Over the past year, 36 such forums were organized focusing on strategic and forward-looking topics, such as scientific and technological innovation, the popularization of science, and research on a system of indictors for modernization of agriculture and rural areas. Some of the major results achieved at these events have been affirmed and adopted.

We formulated work plans for democratic oversight, and held a Chairpersons Council brain-storming session on the theme of strengthening and improving democratic oversight by the CPPCC in the new era. To give full play to the unique strengths of consultative oversight, we integrated consultation into every step of the oversight process, from identifying topics and surveying the situation on the ground to offering comments.

Led by members of the Chairpersons Council, the 10 special committees exercised follow-up oversight on priorities in different sectors, and submitted oversight reports to the CPC Central Committee and the State Council on topics such as accelerating renovations to create convenience for seniors. Through these endeavors, we saw that consultation spurred progress, and that oversight led to better enforcement.

Leaders of the National Committee set an example in advancing independent research conducted by members, which has the advantages of being flexible, pragmatic, and efficient. Last year, independent research was carried out on more than 120 issues.

We opened up more channels for reporting on social conditions and public sentiment, presented key research and consultation results to the departments concerned, and published 3,010 news bulletins on various issues over the year.

4. Improving methods and platforms for bolstering unity and friendship to pool wisdom and strength

In line with the arrangements of the CPC Central Committee, we successfully held the meeting marking the 110th anniversary of the Revolution of 1911. By thoroughly studying General Secretary Xi Jinping's important speech at the meeting, we became more determined to promote the complete reunification of the motherland and achieve the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation.

Members of the National Committee's leading Party members group had open discussions with 367 non-CPC members of the National Committee. We arranged 11 awareness-raising tours on special topics of major significance, hosted 10 committee-member lecture programs, conducted 11 topic-specific self-teaching and self-improvement inspection tours for non-CPC members,

held 4 seminars to assess the macroeconomic landscape and 10 briefings on major issues of public concern, and filmed a number of interview videos for a series titled *Conference Call*. All these efforts helped communicate government policies, respond to public concerns, and build consensus.

We studied and implemented the guiding principles of the Central Conference on Ethnic Affairs and the National Conference on Religious Work. We held training sessions for members from ethnic minorities and religious groups, and conducted surveys and consultations on issues including the expansion of employment channels in areas with concentrations of ethnic minorities and the governance of religious affairs in an effort to promote ethnic solidarity and religious harmony.

We encouraged members from Hong Kong to voice their support for the National People's Congress in improving the electoral system of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, promoted implementation of the principle that Hong Kong should be governed by patriots, and offered suggestions on responding to the epidemic and fostering patriotism among young people in Hong Kong and Macao. We also co-hosted the fourth Strait forum on community-level governance as part of the 13th Strait Forum. These efforts helped strengthen unity and friendship with our compatriots in Hong Kong, Macao, and Taiwan, and overseas.

We carried out international exchanges while adhering to routine epidemic control measures. We hosted activities for diplomatic envoys from Latin American and Caribbean countries posted in China to experience the CPPCC for themselves, provided support for the China Economic and Social Council and the China Committee on Religion and Peace to attend relevant international events, and conducted 80 international exchange events online.

We launched a new column titled "An Epic March" on our English-language website to mark the centenary of the Communist Party of China, and filmed international publicity clips to illustrate the CPC's endeavors over the past century and its achievements in the governance of China and to inform people about whole-process people's democracy and the CPPCC system.

We issued formal statements to clarify our stance of principled opposition in response to the passage of an act concerning Xinjiang by the U.S. Congress and the adoption of a report concerning Taiwan by the European Parliament and its committee on foreign affairs.

5. Stepping up self-improvement efforts to enhance performance

To advance Party building efforts with a focus on reinforcing the CPC's political foundations, we surveyed the implementation of the Guidelines on Strengthening Party Building in the CPPCC for the New Era, and held a conference to review the CPPCC's endeavors in Party building and to share experience in this regard.

We made efforts to foster a culture of reading within the CPPCC, organizing online conferences at both the national and local levels to exchange experience drawn from reading, publishing a book series titled CPPCC Members' Anthology, and revising measures for strengthening and improving study among CPPCC members.

We formulated rules on the handling of proposals at consultative meetings, and held a national conference for local CPPCC committees to exchange experience in proposal work. We formulated guidelines on strengthening and improving theoretical studies in the CPPCC, and supported the China CPPCC Theory Research Association in carrying out research on the CPPCC's role as a specialized consultative body.

We convened a forum of the National Committee on communication and theoretical outreach work, and further consolidated our positions and improved management on the ideological front. We improved the working platform and smart reading platform for members in order to help them perform their duties more effectively.

Ensuring full, rigorous self-governance of the Party, the leading CPC members group of the National Committee guided its working body's Party group in addressing the problems identified by the central discipline inspection team during its inspection, and explored ways of launching dedicated inspections of special committees' CPC branch groups.

Fellow members,

We owe our achievements over the past year to the firm leadership of the CPC Central Committee with Comrade Xi Jinping at its core, to the strong support of all sectors of society, to the concerted efforts of the participating organizations of the CPPCC and its committees at all levels, and to the commitment of all CPPCC members to performing their duties with diligence and pride and to taking on responsibility and making active contributions. On behalf of the Standing Committee, I would like to express our sincere gratitude.

At the same time, we must be soberly aware that there is still room for improvement in the CPPCC's work. We need to raise the quality of our consultations and suggestions, and become more effective at building consensus. We must also see that members make improvements in their efforts to keep in touch with and serve people from various sectors, and that they develop a stronger sense of responsibility. We should take solid steps to address these issues in our future work.

II. Tasks for 2022: Pooling the Strength and Will of the People behind the 20th CPC National Congress

The year 2022 is an important year for embarking on the new journey toward the Second Centenary Goal of building China into a modern socialist country in all respects, and the year in which the CPC will hold its 20th National Congress. With this in mind, the CPPCC will do the following:

- follow the guidance of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era;
- fully implement the guiding principles set forth at the CPC's 19th National Congress and all plenary sessions of the 19th CPC Central Committee;
- implement the guidelines of the Central Conference on CPPCC Work;
- acquire a deep understanding of the decisive significance of efforts to establish Comrade Xi Jinping's core position on the Party Central Committee and in the Party as a whole and the guiding role of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era;
- enhance our consciousness of the need to maintain political integrity, think in big-picture terms, follow the leadership core, and keep in alignment with the central Party leadership;
- increase our confidence in the path, theory, system, and culture of socialism with Chinese characteristics;
- uphold General Secretary Xi Jinping's core position on the CPC Central Committee and in the Party as a whole, and uphold the CPC Central Committee's authority and its centralized, unified leadership;
- adhere to the general principle of pursuing progress while ensuring stability;
- commit to the two main themes of pursuing unity and democracy;

- continue to work hard on both offering suggestions and building consensus;
- give political priority to preparing for the CPC's 20th National Congress and studying, publicizing, and implementing its guiding principles throughout the year;
- focus our efforts on providing theoretical guidance, pooling strength, deliberating and offering suggestions on state affairs, and serving the overall interests of the country; and
- make contributions toward a steady and healthy economy, a thriving nation, a harmonious society, and a political environment of honesty and integrity.

1. Building up broad consensus with a focus on the overall work of the CPC and the country

In the lead-up to the CPC's 20th National Congress, we will work on fostering political integrity within the CPPCC. To be more specific, we will continue the practice of holding forums on Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese characteristics for a New Era, refine the study system under which the theoretical study group under the leading Party members group of the National Committee charts the course of studies, fully implement the guiding principles of the 19th CPC Central Committee's Sixth Plenary Session, consolidate and build upon the achievements of our educational campaign on the history of the CPC, acquire a thorough grasp of the CPC's latest theories, and rally and guide our members in sticking to the path of socialism with Chinese characteristics with unswerving commitment.

We will further improve our regular mechanisms such as open discussions, committee-member lecture programs, awareness-raising tours for special tasks of major significance, press conferences by special committees, and briefings on major issues of public concern. Furthermore, we will encourage our members to draw on their own experience and talk about the historic achievements and changes in the cause of the CPC and the country since the 18th CPC National Congress through a variety of channels. We will stage a greater variety of initiatives to fortify unity and friendship, keep track of changes in society as they emerge, convey public concerns from different sectors, and promote social harmony.

After the 20th CPC National Congress, we will work hard to study, disseminate, and implement the guiding principles set forth at the Congress

through avenues including study sessions of the Standing Committee, the Chairpersons Council, and the theoretical study group under the leading Party members group of the National Committee, topic-specific instructional talks, and members' reading groups. We will truly align our thoughts and actions with these principles, and rally and guide all political parties, people's organizations, and individuals from all ethnic groups and sectors of society in the CPPCC in working with great historical initiative to push forward on our new journey and capture success in the new era.

2. Promoting high-quality development with high-quality recommendations

We will hold consultative meetings of the Standing Committee on advancing green and low-carbon development and high-quality development in a coordinated manner, as well as on continued implementation of the employment-first policy. We will also conduct consultations on promoting healthy development of the digital economy and further implementing the strategy to develop a high-caliber workforce in the new era.

Through various forms of consultation such as biweekly consultative forums, online consultations, proposal handling consultations, and consultative meetings with relevant departments, we will carry out in-depth studies and discussions focusing on topics such as establishing a framework of policies to support the development of the seed industry, promoting sound development of rural healthcare, bolstering patriotic sentiment among the people of Hong Kong and Macao including affinity for both their motherland and their regions, revising the Law on Arbitration, fully leveraging the role of vocational education in rural revitalization, advancing the development of the Yellow River National Cultural Park, and strengthening people-to-people exchanges with Belt and Road partner countries.

We will continue to follow the principle of conducting research before consultations take place and work hard to make research more in-depth and effective. We will improve the mechanism of expert consultations, and carry out forward-looking research and in-depth consultations on finding pathways to common prosperity, developing renewable energy, stepping up efforts to make original breakthroughs in cutting-edge science and technology, responding to the issue of population aging, and promoting the protection and utilization of immovable cultural relics.

We will continue to exercise democratic oversight on the implementation of the 14th Five-Year Plan, with a view to finding problems, suggesting improvements, and assisting in the implementation of initiatives.

3. Continuing to strengthen the role of the CPPCC as a specialized consultative body

With a focus on implementing General Secretary Xi Jinping's important ideas on strengthening and improving CPPCC work and the guidelines of the Central Conference on CPPCC Work, we will take follow-up action to study and review the innovations that we have made in various aspects of our work since the 18th CPC National Congress. We will deepen our studies on major theoretical and practical issues relating to the CPPCC, and work hard to make fresh progress in refining the substance of consultation, diversifying its forms, improving its rules, fostering a culture of consultation, and building our capacity for consultation.

We will develop think tanks with CPPCC features that are geared toward practical application. We will offer advice on the implementation of guidelines for strengthening and improving the work of municipal- and county-level CPPCC committees in the new era. We will step up theoretical studies on the CPPCC and hold a seminar on the role of the CPPCC in whole-process people's democracy.

We will continue to hold in-depth consultations on the handling of proposals, intensify oversight on the handling of key proposals, and hold meetings to commend best proposals and outstanding departments that do a good job in handling them. We will improve the quality of our work related to CPPCC bulletins, conference speeches, cultural and historical materials, and news and publicity.

In line with China's overall diplomatic agenda, we will actively conduct friendly exchanges with other countries. Acting on the plans and requirements of the CPC Central Committee, we will ensure strict discipline enforcement in conjunction with the formation of the next National Committee of the CPPCC.

With the goal of building the National Committee into a model body, we will promote good conduct and uphold integrity, and cultivate a contingent of competent and professional officials suited to the demands of the new era.

III. A Stronger Sense of Mission and Responsibility: Striving for Great Unity among All the Sons and Daughters of the Chinese Nation

General Secretary Xi Jinping's important speech delivered at the ceremony marking the CPC's centenary and the resolution adopted at the Sixth Plenary Session of the 19th CPC Central Committee gave an in-depth review of the key historical experience of advancing the united front and strengthening the great unity among all the sons and daughters of the Chinese nation.

The CPPCC, as the most inclusive patriotic united front organization, is a symbol of great unity and solidarity. The CPPCC should carry forward its fine traditions, faithfully execute its duties and fulfill its mission, and build up great consensus and bring together powerful strength for the great cause of building a modern socialist China in all respects and realizing the Chinese Dream of national rejuvenation.

1. Strengthening the great unity among all the sons and daughters of the Chinese nation is the historic responsibility of the CPPCC in the new era.

Unity is the root from which the CPPCC blossomed, and the source of energy that has allowed our organization to carry on and thrive. At many different stages in history, the CPPCC has made important contributions to promoting unity among the sons and daughters of the Chinese nation.

Today, the world is experiencing rapid changes unseen in a century, and China is undergoing the greatest and most unique process of innovation in practice that has ever occurred in human history. At the same time, we are faced with tasks in promoting reform, development, and stability, with difficulties, risks, and challenges, and with tests in national governance that are all unprecedented in their magnitude. These circumstances make it even more imperative to strengthen the unity of all the Chinese people.

We should earnestly fulfill the responsibility and mission entrusted by the new era to the CPPCC, remain committed to striking the right balance between commonality and diversity, make effective use of our institutional strengths to expand common ground and achieve the greatest possible convergence of interests, and promote harmony in relations between political parties, between ethnic groups, between religions, between social strata, and between our compatriots at home and abroad.

CPPCC members should enhance their political awareness, fully understand that each of them is an important force for strengthening the unity among the Chinese people, and reach out to people from all sectors of society to promote unity. All members should place value in unity and work actively to pursue and promote it. Members should truly take on their responsibilities instead of sitting on the sidelines, and make real efforts

instead of just paying lip service, rallying more people around the CPC and pooling greater strength behind the historic advance to national rejuvenation.

2. To strengthen unity throughout the Chinese nation, we must give better play to the consultative strengths of the CPPCC.

By building consensus through consultation and by consolidating unity through consensus, we are demonstrating the values of whole-process people's democracy and the institutional efficacy of our specialized consultative body. We must fully understand just how important building consensus is to strengthening unity in the new era, and be adept at using the methods of democracy, discussion, criticism, and persuasion to properly handle problems among the people. With honest consultations that unify our thinking and goals, we will be able to create a situation in which stronger internal unity leads to stronger social unity and consensus leads to action.

Simplistic work methods must be dispensed with. We must keep up to date with what our National Committee members are thinking, with the recognition that they come from different social sectors, fields, and industries. We should host study sessions, hold discussions, and explain policies based on the needs of different members at different times and in different circumstances, actively report on their valuable opinions and demands, guide members in viewing economic and social developments in the correct light, and ensure the principles and policies of the CPC are better understood and better implemented. This will ensure we work in a targeted way to effectively allay grievances, guide expectations, and maintain confidence.

Short-term goals and actions must be avoided. We must persist with an incremental, steady, and persistent approach, integrate theoretical and political guidance for more complicated and sensitive issues with regular guidance on this front, stay focused on difficulties, hot-button issues, and emerging problems of public concern, and keep working to preserve the unity between promoting democracy and generating public support in our commitment to serving the people.

Unbalanced assessment standards must be rejected. When assessing performance, we must examine whether members have helped in resolving real problems, but also whether they have contributed positively to defusing potential risks and dangers. We must see if they have held firm and spoken out at critical moments, but also if they have engaged deeply with their respective sectors to fulfill their duties of communicating policy, addressing problems, and increasing unity.

The problem of putting form over substance in our work measures must be overcome. We must continue working to maintain the unity between acting on the mass line and advancing CPPCC consultation, basing our work on local conditions and exploring ways of maintaining close contacts with local people on the ground, employing modern means of communication to create new and efficient ways of serving the public, and encouraging National Committee members to better serve as the promoters of CPC policy, as theoretical and political guides, and as the go-to people for people in their respective sectors.

3. To strengthen unity throughout the Chinese nation, we must uphold the leadership of the CPC.

Unity must have a center, and only when that center is firmly upheld can we unite the hearts and minds of the many. The CPC has been chosen by history and the Chinese people as the center for the Chinese nation's unity. The past and the present reality provide ample proof that the stronger the CPC's leadership, and the firmer its political stand, the more it is possible to consolidate and broaden the patriotic united front, effectively pool the wisdom and energy of all sons and daughters of the Chinese nation at home and abroad, and realize great unity that is genuine, extensive, and tight-knit.

The CPPCC must therefore take a clear political stand and uphold the leadership of the CPC, and especially the centralized, unified leadership of the CPC Central Committee. It must better fulfill its important roles of strengthening and upholding Party leadership over all areas of work, of using the Party's latest theories to unite and guide public figures from all ethnic groups and social sectors, and of resolving problems and building consensus based on a shared theoretical and political foundation.

Party organizations and CPC members within the CPPCC shoulder political responsibility for realizing Party leadership. They must establish a sense of responsibility for pooling the will and the energy we need, be prepared to speak up and provide guidance and leadership, and be adept at resolving problems.

We must take the view that fulfilling our duties is not about having our say but about saying the right things, and get better at not just saying the right things, but saying them in a way that people will accept and embrace. We should deepen identification with Chinese culture and values based on our shared history and common cultural roots; enhance identification with our path and system based on our great achievements over the past century and the shared goals toward which we are now striving; and increase identification with theories and policies based on ideological and political development and looking after the interests and concerns of the people.

We must work to strengthen unity while fulfilling our duties, consolidate unity while cooperating on common endeavors, and deepen unity as we jointly strive together, so as to help create a truly vibrant situation in which all the sons and daughters of the Chinese nation are committed to the same goal in mind and are pulling in the same direction to achieve it.

Fellow members,

Strength springs from unity and a great mission demands unity. Let us then unite more closely around the CPC Central Committee with Comrade Xi Jinping at its core, commit to working hard and bravely advancing forward, open up new prospects for the CPPCC's endeavors in the new era, make new and even greater contributions to building a modern socialist China in all respects and to realizing the Chinese Dream of national rejuvenation, and do solid work to usher in a triumphant 20th National Congress of the Communist Party of China.