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Please Support Us!
Bringing hope to autistic children and their families

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Dear

Invitation to be the Patron (or Donor) of the Autism Children Foundation Charity Sale
on 21 January 2010

I am writing on behalf of Autism Children Foundation (ACF) to appeal for your kind support of our cause.

Autism Children Foundation is a non-profit making organization founded in 2005 by a group of parents and professionals who have the determination and compassion to help autistic children. Our goal is to empower parents through knowledge sharing and training, to manage such a complex yet debilitating child developmental disorder. Since its inauguration, the Foundation has networked with top research institutes and universities overseas (including the Harvard Medical School) for the purpose of introducing proven strategies for treating autistic children. Among all these endeavours, the Foundation will be organizing the **“World Autism Congress” in May 2010** through which we will bring in a strong line up of experts to Hong Kong to share their insight on recovering autism. We hope with adequate financial support, we can launch further initiatives in helping to test, diagnose and treat autistic children early as well as to support a new school dedicated to these children. We believe such work can turn a page for autistic treatment in Hong Kong. For other details of the Foundation’s work, please refer to <http://www.autismchildren.org.hk/egpag1.html> and the attached leaflet.

We have seen a rising prevalence of autism around the world. The Centre for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) in the United States has just released that 1 in every 70 boys in the US is affected by autism. In the case of Hong Kong, there are only 25,000 registered cases but we believe this figure is grossly under-reported. As autism is not a life-threatening disorder, neither the community nor the government has given autism the attention it deserves. Families with autistic children are struggling to find information and treatment to this perceived lifelong neurological disorder.

To support the mission of the Foundation, the Association of Porcelain Artists (please refer to - Attachment 1) has kindly agreed to include a Charity Sale of porcelain artworks in its International

Porcelain Artists Convention and Exhibition scheduled on **21st January 2010**. Ms Florence Hui, the Under Secretary of Home Affairs, has kindly agreed to officiate the Opening Ceremony at 3:00 pm. The venue of the Convention and Exhibition is at The Lee Gardens Lobby, 33 Hysan Avenue, Causeway Bay.

Among the artworks for Charity Sale are two notable pieces of commission painting by Filipe Manuel Pereira, top porcelain artist in porcelain artwork world. (His brief bio can be found as -Attachment 2

[http:// www.artfilipe.com](http://www.artfilipe.com)). The theme of the two paintings is on the trophy horse, Sacred Kingdom. As porcelain artworks can last forever, the artworks can magnificently capture the immortality of the Sacred Kingdom's glorious moments. The Charity price for each piece is at HK\$50,000.

The Foundation appreciates and invites you / your Company to be the **Patron of the Charity Sale**. As a token of our appreciation, Ms Hui, on behalf of the ACF, will present the Patron(s) the two pieces of artwork at the Opening Ceremony.

If you would like to be a sponsor of the event other than that of a Patron, you can choose to be our **Diamond Donor or Crystal Donor**. For a donation of HK\$30,000 or above, our Diamond Donor will be presented a piece of porcelain artwork hand-painted (at a retail price of HK\$18,000) by Filipe Manuel Pereira at the Opening Ceremony. For a donation of HK\$5,000 or above, our Crystal Donor will be presented with a piece of artwork hand-painted by one of the artists of the Association of Porcelain Artists. Other support options are outlined in the Donation form attached.

On behalf of the Foundation and needy children, parents and families affected by autism, I would like to express my heartfelt appreciation of your support. For any other enquiries, please feel free to contact us or Joey Fung at (852) 3106 8709 or email us at info@autismchildren.org.hk or joey.fung@yahoo.com.hk

Yours sincerely

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