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發刊詞

President Honorio T. Tan
會長 陳家鎮

“愛心是會傳染的；
一旦確定以純粹無私的精神在做一件事，
愛心將滲透全世界，
正確的人與人之間的關係將迅速確立。”

——愛麗絲·貝利

當我們的第 95 週年開始之際，勾起了我的懷舊之心。就在五年前，當我最後一次寫祝賀信給我們的馬尼拉市區青年會的時候，遇到很多挑戰，除卻當時我們國家發生了災難，亦因為一些同事也離我們而去。我記得好幾次，我需要說服幾個頑強的對手，雖沒有成功，但我們經受住了這一切，我仍繼續信任這個機構。那個時代過去了，一切都確確實實成為歷史的有力證據。如今，當我們進入 95 週年之際，我們都應該向前前後後的朋友們打個招呼說：祝賀你！

讓我們繼續向同伴們傳播善意，專心祈禱；讓誠意的火焰在我們心中繼續燃燒，讓火光照亮全世界，不要忘記那些在生活中仍遭受重大打擊的孤獨者。我們雖是凡人，但我們肩負神聖的職責，要繼承前人的遺願，做好基督教青年會的工作。

讓我們把一個個微弱的光聚集起來，成為一盞友好的明燈，使他發出更耀眼的光芒，滲透全世界，為每一個人類帶來希望！不要在黑暗中離開，讓我們支持馬尼拉市區青年會！

榮譽屬於我們每一個人！

會長 陳家鎮

FOREWORD

"Goodwill is contagious;
once a definite start has been made in a pure and disinterested spirit,
goodwill will permeate the world,
right human relations will be rapidly established."

– Alice A. Bailey

As we commence our 95th year, it makes me a little bit nostalgic. It was exactly 5 years ago when I last penned my congratulatory note to our Manila Downtown YMCA. That time, there were a lot of challenges, and not to mention the calamities that have happened in our country. There may also be some of our colleagues who are no longer here with us. I remember a few times that I personally need to convince a few to be strong and continue to have faith in the institution, and standstill despite all the odds. Those were the times. But we have weathered it all, and this is indeed strong evidence, for we are now on our 95th year! We all deserve a pat in the back my friends! Congratulations!

Let us continue to spread goodwill to our fellowmen. I just pray that the fire in our hearts will continue to burn and spark light to those who may be lost, lonely and stiffened by a lot of life's big blows. We are all here, for we have our own duties to do and legacies to make

Let the light of goodwill permeate the world. Let a single and frail light be in unison with other lights. Let it create a bigger light that will give hope for every mankind. Nobody should be left behind in the dark. Let us be one, let us support Manila Downtown YMCA.

Kudos to each one of us!



HONORIO T. TAN

President

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Congratulatory Message

賀 信



Republic of the Philippines Office of the Vice President

MESSAGE

Warmest greetings to the Manila Downtown YMCA Philippines and congratulations as you celebrate your 95th Anniversary!

For the years, you have proven the power of your collective action to build a sustainable community. In this coming year, I trust you to be even more proactive in your involvement in various civic and social activities aimed to promote the welfare of our *kababayans*.

I pray that your theme, "*Anchored on our Rock: Building a Sustainable Future*," guides you in all your endeavors, and I am glad to welcome all your contributions.

Again, congratulations on your anniversary.



JEJOMAR C. BINAY

Congratulatory Message

賀 信



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
City of Manila

MESSAGE

Warmest greetings to the **Manila Downtown YMCA** as it prepares to celebrate its **95th Anniversary!**

Few organizations have had as profoundly positive an influence on communities around the world as the Young Men's Christian Association – the YMCA, as we all now fondly call it.

From its establishment as an association seeking to avert young men's spiritual fall from grace in the increasingly industrial milieu of mid-1800's England, the YMCA has since become a haven for multi-racial, ethnic and religious persuasions where brotherhood, friendship and harmony have become the order of the day.

The Manila Downtown YMCA is one strong unit of this remarkable organization. In its over ninety years of existence, it has become a symbol of the unity and amity of individuals who may hail from diverse backgrounds, but who nevertheless, value the friendship of those who – like them – regard the YMCA as a second home.

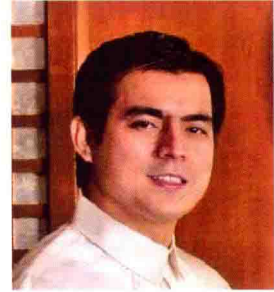
Congratulations and ***Mabuhay!***

A stylized black ink signature of Joseph Ejercito Estrada, written in a cursive script.

JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA
Mayor



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE VICE MAYOR
City of Manila
MESSAGE



It is with great pleasure and privilege to convey my warmest greetings and felicitations the MANILA DOWNTOWN YMCA on the occasion of their 95th Anniversary.

Of all the service organizations helping augment efforts of government provide public service initiatives to improve their plight, the YMCA stands out as the outstanding proponent to develop the human being to the fullest. With its primary aim to cultivate the three faculties of Man, His Mind, Body and Spirit, in doing so, the YMCA likewise, transcends all barriers of race, color and creed.

It is in this regard that I wish to laud and commend the leaders and staff of MANILA DOWNTOWN YMCA for their vision and leadership in making the YMCA organization of distinction.

May this occasion inspire you to work with greater wisdom and enthusiasm so that your efforts will rebound into the ultimate benefit of our country and people.

MABUHAY!

FRANCISCO "ISKO MORENO" DOMAGOSO
Vice Mayor

Congratulatory Message

賀 信



JOINT MESSAGE

We are pleased to greet you all on behalf of all the National Board of Trustees and members of the YMCA of the Philippines, on this auspicious occasion of the 95th Founding Anniversary of the Manila Downtown YMCA.

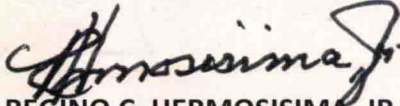
During the past 95 years, the Manila Downtown YMCA has been consistently engaged and steadfastly dedicated to its mission of moulding the youth and serving communities. Today's event is truly a milestone that you can be proud of. We are truly heartened to note that through the years, your local association has remained true to its selfless dedication to total human development, social service and leadership enhancement. Through various initiatives, it has tremendously helped in the process of transforming the young people and individuals as potent agents for nation building and development.

We hope that through the celebration of the events with the theme "Anchored on the Rock: Building a Sustainable Future," the participants and members shall be able to realize the essence of movement and its potential to sustain its future by reviewing and practicing its core Christian principles and values.

May this serves as an opportune time to renew your commitment and take your YMCA to even greater heights in serving communities in the coming years. We also hope that you will continue to journey with us in fulfilling the YMCA mission in the Philippines and as we try to strengthen our Association. We wish and hope that in the years ahead we will together achieve more visibility through our common identity and collective voices both locally and globally. Moreover, we encourage you all to continue our humanitarian efforts and consequently leave shining examples for the next generation. Let us help in rebuilding the future by banking on the good that can be done today. Together we will make it happen, this we have to believe!

We pray that you will have a wonderful celebration and may God's blessings continue to be showered on the Manila Downtown YMCA.

Congratulations!


REGINO C. HERMOSISIMA, JR.
National President


PABLITO A. TABUCOL
General Secretary



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1st August 2015

The President and all board members
Manila Downtown YMCA, Philippines
5th Floor, 945 Sabino Pabilla Street Sta. Cruz Manila

Dear President and all board members

Re: Heartiest Congratulations to the Manila Downtown YMCA, Philippines on the occasion of your 95th Anniversary.

Warmest greetings of Peace from all of us in the National Council of YMCAs Malaysia.

The National Council of YMCAs, Malaysia joins me in sharing your 95th Anniversary joy. Although we are not physically present, our thoughts and hearts are united with yours in this aforesaid Celebration.

We offer our heartiest congratulations and wish you every success now and as Manila Downtown YMCA moves forward into the future.

May the blessings of our Lord Jesus Christ be yours in the days and years ahead.

With sincerity and kind regards,

Dato' Daniel Tay

President.

National Council of YMCAs, Malaysia.

Congratulatory Message

賀 信



Asia and Pacific Alliance of YMCAs

President: Mr. Yau Chung Wan

General Secretary: Mr. Kohei Yamada

August 6, 2015

To: Mr. Honorio T. Tan
President, Manila Downtown YMCA



95th Anniversary of Manila Downtown YMCA

Dear Leaders & Members of YMCA of Manila Downtown,

I am pleased to greet you all on behalf of the President, all the Officers, and Members of the Executive Committee of APAY, on this auspicious occasion of the 95th Anniversary of Manila Downtown YMCA.

During the past 95 years, the YMCA of Manila Downtown has been engaged in offering a variety of services to the people of Philippines specially the children, the youth and families. We congratulated your YMCA for the significant achievements and contributions made to the people in your city during the past years.

We pray that you will have a wonderful celebration and May God's blessings continue to be showered on the YMCA of Manila Downtown.

Yours sincerely,

Kohei Yamada
General Secretary
APAY



財團
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August 5, 2015

Message for the 95th Anniversary of the Manila Downtown YMCA

Our warmest congratulations to the Manila Downtown YMCA on the grand occasion of your 95th Anniversary! On behalf of the board of directors and staff of the Taipei YMCA, we would like to extend our best wishes to the Manila Downtown YMCA.

Over the years, the Manila Downtown YMCA has enhanced the quality of services for children, youth, adults and senior citizens through many wonderful activities.

This momentous event allows us all to reflect on the history of the humble beginning of the Manila Downtown YMCA and your current status as a distinguished association and the important role you play in your community.

With the benediction of the Taipei YMCA, we congratulate you on reaching this milestone. Best wishes for an enjoyable celebration and continued success.

Yours sincerely,



Cheng-Kang Lee

Cheng-Kang Lee
Chairman, Board of Directors
Taipei YMCA



James Tou

James Tou
General Secretary
Taipei YMCA

Congratulatory Message

賀 信



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5th September 2015

The President
Manila Downtown YMCA Philippines

Venus May G. Alinsod
Executive Director
Manila Downtown YMCA Philippines

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR 95th ANNIVERSARY

On behalf of the YMCA of Penang, I offer my sincere congratulations on your 95 years of Blessing and Service to your community.

We are confident that the Manila Downtown YMCA Philippines by the grace of God will continue their excellent service to enhance the Movement further through the development of Spirit, Mind and Body in your service to the communities that you served.

May God continue to bless your YMCA, Board, Staff and Volunteers.

Geh Cheng Lok, DJN, PJK
President





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The very first day I was welcomed in this great institution, I told myself, *"I feel like I am a new person with new hope and new strength."* It is indeed something that I have to be grateful for, for I had the chance to get along with hardworking and compassionate past leaders and now work hand in hand with the current leaders, who just like me are very enthusiastic, passionate and are steadfast in facing challenges of life. I take great pride in this kind of experience!

Congratulations to our very own Manila Downtown YMCA as it mark its 95th year legacy. Let us continue to touch lives and encourage people to embrace change. There is no other way but up! Wishing more people to give hope to our fellowmen, and thus together we will continue to prosper in the future.

Venus May G. Alinsod
Executive Director