

## CITATION FOR MR PETER HO OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD

We are honoured to pay tribute to Mr Peter Ho for his tireless dedication and contributions to the University over the past decade. NUS has benefitted tremendously from Peter's wealth of experience, stemming not least from his illustrious 34-year career in Singapore's Administrative Service running right up to his retirement in 2010.

A long-standing member of the NUS Board of Trustees since 2011, Peter has been a source of strategic wisdom in helping chart the University's direction in education and research.

As a mark of his unwavering commitment to NUS, Peter serves on no fewer than four of NUS' seven standing board committees. He chairs both the Campus Planning and Development Committee, and the Nominating Committee; and serves on the Executive Committee and the Remuneration Committee.

As a member of the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy's Governing Board and Executive Committee, and Chair of its Finance Committee, Peter has continued to provide invaluable guidance to the School, in areas ranging from strategic planning and school development, to finances and programme development. He spearheaded a Scenarios Exercise in 2019 to identify future opportunities and areas of competitive advantage for the School. The results from that exercise have formed the foundation for the School's current Strategy Map. As former Head of Civil Service in Singapore, Peter has provided the School critical insights and advice on our engaging the public sector to deepen academic-practitioner integration, and he has imparted key

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knowledge on how the School can better position itself as a leading public policy school globally.

In his capacity as Founding Chairman of the Faculty of Engineering's (now known as the College of Design and Engineering) Advisory Board from 2017 to 2021, Peter pioneered a framework called the 3Rs – Rapid Change, the Real World and Relevance (to Industry) – to steer top-level discussions between the Faculty and the Board on areas spanning curriculum revisions, student outreach, and industry engagement. Under his leadership, the Faculty strengthened its industry engagement strategy, culminating in the Faculty's Industry Day and the formation of the Vice Dean's Office for industry partnership development. Peter also advised the Faculty on strengthening its appeal to prospective students through fine-tuning its programmes and conducting perception surveys.

Peter Ho has given generously of his time and resources to serve the University in so many different capacities over the years. We are, therefore, very privileged this evening to be able to celebrate Peter's sterling service and achievements with this Outstanding Service Award, which he so richly deserves.

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