Briefing Note

Subject: Overview of Zee Cheng Khor Moral Uplifting Society

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Core Message

Zee Cheng Khor Moral Uplifting Society (ZCK), established in 2002, promotes world harmony through moral education and interfaith dialogue. As the Melbourne chapter of De Jiao, "Teaching of Virtues," we are guided by the **De Jiao Xin Dian**. Our slogan is: **"Rejoice in the success of others.**For it prevents resentment and imparts hatred against others, leading to a more harmonious society," enhancing social cohesion and societal harmony in our diverse community.

Background

De Jiao began in China in 1939 to address the need for moral cultivation. It later expanded to countries like Malaysia, Thailand, and Singapore before ZCK was established in Melbourne in May 2002. We serve as a **centre for interfaith and interracial understanding**, promoting respect and collaboration among diverse communities.

Key Teachings

ZCK emphasises the following core teachings:

Ten Virtues:

- 1. **Filial Piety:** Give unconditional love to our parents, care for them, and respect them with gratitude.
- Brotherly Love: Brothers and sisters should love each other and live in harmony. Treat everyone like our brothers and sisters.
- Loyalty: Love our country and our people. Discharge our duties and responsibilities to serve our nation and society.
- Sincerity: Keep your words and promises. Be trustworthy and responsible to earn respect.
- 5. **Courtesy:** Nurture the young and respect the elders. Treat others with humility and respect.

- Justice: Carry out your duties with fairness and impartiality. Just follow the truth.
- 7. **Honesty:** Live a pure and simple life, untarnished by material desire. Self-contentment is the key to happiness.
- Sense of Honour: Do not succumb to human frailty. Be righteous and courageous to right the wrongs and lead a noble life.
- Humanity: Respect the aged and be generous to the poor. Compassion and love will always benefit humanity.
- 10. **Wisdom:** Enrich your knowledge with history and current affairs. Be able to differentiate between good and evil.

Eight Precepts:

- 1. Do Not Cheat
- 2. Do Not Lie
- 3. Do Not Be Greedy
- 4. Do Not Be Unreasonable

- 5. Do Not Be Arrogant
- 6. Do Not Be Lazy
- 7. Do Not Be Resentful
- 8. Do Not Hate Others

Key Services and Programs

- Divine Writing Services: Offers individuals the opportunity to receive channelled teachings and spiritual guidance from Divine Masters during divine writing services.
- **Interfaith Dialogue:** Promotes understanding and cooperation among various faiths, including Confucianism, Buddhism, Daoism, Christianity, and Islam, fostering a harmonious community.
- Cultural Activities: Organises inclusive cultural events such as the Lanterns for All @ ZCK and Chinese New Year @ ZCK celebrations.
- **Social Activities:** Includes Karaoke, Tai Chi, and Seniors programs, fostering community engagement and enhancing mental well-being through social interaction and physical activity.
- **Environmental Action:** Engages the community through initiatives like Eco-Enzyme @ ZCK, promoting sustainability and environmental consciousness.

Community Impact

ZCK significantly enhances community well-being by:

- Providing moral education and spiritual guidance.
- Fostering cultural diversity and social inclusion.
- Offering a supportive environment for individuals seeking personal growth.

Meeting Place

ZCK Community Centre Unit 1, 14-26 Audsley Street, Clayton South VIC 3169

Current Leadership

The current President of Zee Cheng Khor Moral Uplifting Society is **Stephen Chew**.

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Conclusion

Zee Cheng Khor Moral Uplifting Society is dedicated to fostering a harmonious and inclusive community. We welcome the opportunity to collaborate with the **City of Kingston**, the **Victorian State Government**, and the **Australian Federal Government** to enhance our programs and services for the benefit of our diverse community.

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