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## **Official Statement from Mayor Ken Sim on the Recent Passing of Maggie Ip**

VANCOUVER, BC - Vancouver Mayor Ken Sim released the following statement regarding the recent passing of Maggie Ip:

“Today, our city sadly mourns the loss of a true visionary, trailblazer, and beloved community leader, Maggie Ip. As a former Vancouver City Councillor and founder of S.U.C.C.E.S.S., Maggie was a force of compassion and determination, relentlessly working to make our city more inclusive, diverse, and welcoming for all.

“Born in Shanghai, Maggie’s journey to Canada led her to pursue a Master’s Degree in education from the University of Ottawa. While volunteering with the YWCA, working closely with new immigrants in Strathcona and Chinatown, Maggie saw firsthand the challenges they faced adjusting to a new life in Canada. From that spark of empathy, she founded S.U.C.C.E.S.S., now the largest settlement service organization in Canada - a lifeline for thousands of newcomers finding their way in this country.

“But her dedication to our community didn’t stop there. Maggie's decision to serve on Vancouver City Council from 1993 to 1996 was not only a personal commitment to public service but an act of leadership that inspired countless Vancouverites, myself included. She showed us what true leadership looks like - compassionate, thoughtful, and deeply committed to building a more inclusive and caring community.

“Maggie paved the way for thousands of new immigrants to build better lives in Canada, and her legacy will forever be part of the Vancouver we call home today. We are deeply grateful for her invaluable contributions to our city, and though she may be gone, her spirit will live on in the generations she impacted. Vancouver is a better place because of Maggie Ip, and her legacy will guide us forward for many years to come.

“To honour her memory, the Canadian flag at Vancouver City Hall will be flown at half-mast.”

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溫哥華市長沈觀健（Ken Sim）發布了以下關於葉吳美琪（Maggie Ip）逝世的聲明：

“今天，我們的城市懷著沉痛的心情，悼念一位真正的遠見者、開拓者和深受愛戴的社區領袖——Maggie Ip，葉吳美琪。作為前溫哥華市議員和S.U.C.C.E.S.S.的創始人，Maggie以其無私的同情心和堅定的決心，不懈地努力為我們的城市創造一個更加包容、多樣和友好的環境。”

“Maggie 出生於上海，後來移居加拿大，在渥太華大學取得教育碩士學位。在YWCA做志工期間，她與Strathcona和Chinatown的新移民密切合作，親眼目睹了他們在適應加拿大新生活時所面臨的挑戰。正是出於這種同情心，她創立了S.U.C.C.E.S.S.。如今，S.U.C.C.E.S.S.已成為加拿大最大的移民服務組織，為成千上萬的新移民提供支持，並協助他們在這個國家找到歸屬。”

“Maggie對我們社區的奉獻並未止步於此。在1993年至1996年期間，Maggie擔任了溫哥華市議員。這項決定不僅是她個人對公共服務的承諾，更是一個激勵了包括我本人在內的無數溫哥華市民的領導典範。她向我們展示了真正的領導力——充滿同情、深思熟慮，並積極致力於建立一個更加包容和富有關懷的社區。”

“Maggie為成千上萬的新移民鋪平了在加拿大建立更好生活的道路，她的遺產將永遠成為我們今天稱之為家的溫哥華的一部分。我們對她為這座城市所做的寶貴貢獻深表感激。儘管她已離去，但她的精神將永遠留存於她影響過的數代人心中。溫哥華因Maggie Ip而變得更加美好，她的貢獻將在未來的時光裡繼續指引我們前進。”

“為了紀念她，溫哥華市政廳的加拿大國旗將於今天降半旗。”

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