



## A MESSAGE FROM MICHAEL CHAN

February 4, 2023

I am pleased to extend warmest greetings to everyone in attendance on the occasion of the "Chinese New Year with Hometown Flavor - Premade Cuisine Industry Development Forum" hosted by Eachtechnology Canada Co. Ltd and the Canadian Chinese Premade Cuisine Industry Research & Development Centre.

Marking the Lunar New Year is a significant tradition for Chinese-Canadians and this gathering, more meaningful because it brings together in fellowship all those from whom we have been so isolated during the long COVID pandemic, will evoke cherished memories of the warmth and hospitality of past family celebrations and the shared experience of delicious cuisine.

I commend the organizers for your hard work to highlight the rich cultural heritage that is deeply woven into our vibrantly diverse social fabric and for your generosity to include a donation of prepared food for our respected elders. Your efforts will help strengthen cross-cultural understanding and contribute to strong, healthy communities.

As you celebrate the success of your industry, please accept my very best wishes for a memorable Forum and for a Happy, Healthy, and Prosperous Year of the Rabbit!

Yours truly,

Deputy Mayor and Regional Councillor

City of Markham