

THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

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Conferment of the Degree of Doctor of Laws, *honoris causa*

A Citation

CHIA-CHIAO LIN, B.Sc., M.A., Ph.D.

Professor Chia-chiao Lin has the uncommon distinction of having received his education from three different countries. He obtained the B.Sc. degree from the National Tsing Hua University, China, the M.A. degree from the University of Toronto, Canada, and Ph.D. from the California Institute of Technology, U.S.A. These all combined to prepare him for his eminent career and demonstrate how the influence of the East has blended with that of the West in the making of a prominent scientist.

In 1947 Professor Lin embarked on a long and distinguished service with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he has been Institute Professor since 1966. His latest contribution to the world of science is the "Density Wave Theory" explaining the spiral structure of Galaxies.

In addition to many distinguished memberships of scientific societies, Professor Lin is currently President of the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics of the United States.

In appreciation of Professor Lin's outstanding contributions of academic distinction to the field of Mathematics, this University respectfully recommends, Mr. Chancellor, that Your Excellency confer on him the degree of Doctor of Laws, *honoris causa*.

10th October, 1972.