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Speech at the Groundbreaking Ceremony  
for a New Street in the Sopho Area of Pyongyang  
*February 25, 2023*

Dear members of the Paektusan Hero Youth Shock Brigade who are bringing with them to this major site of capital city construction, the mettle and spirit of sacred Paektu,

Dear young volunteers who, true to the ennobling duty and calls of the times—“For the victory of our cause!” and “For our capital city of Pyongyang!”—have come here from across the country,

When I see you, gathered here, as the embodiment of the vigour, bravery and passion of the millions of young people across the country, I feel rejuvenated and immensely encouraged.

I have come here today to get a personal sense of the mettle of our proud young people who, filled with ardour, a fighting spirit and confidence for achieving a decisive advance, are standing at the forefront in the construction of the capital city, and to encourage you.

I feel particularly delighted to be proclaiming with you the breaking of the ground for this important project to build a new, modern street, a project which will write another proud chapter in the annals, resplendent with courage and exploits, of our

country's youth movement.

Now as I stand here, I am reminded of the unforgettable day when, eight years ago in the lead-up to the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of our Workers' Party of Korea, I celebrated with the young fighters born of Mt Paektu the commissioning of a majestic new power station which had been built at the foot of Mt Paektu, with the words *Hero Youth* written on its dam.

This power station is a solid fortress of our young people's faith, built with youthful vigour and warm, untainted patriotism and loyalty in defence of our cause; it is also a monument dedicated by them to their motherland. The immortal feats performed by the Paektusan Hero Youth Shock Brigade are etched in golden letters in the history of our Party and of the Korean youth movement.

The spirit of the heroic Paektusan youth was carried forward solidly in the vigorous battles to splendidly transform the city of Samjiyon, a place sacred to the revolution, and to rebuild the railways in the northern mountainous area, and has spread like a prairie fire to every site of struggle across the country. This spirit has become a symbol of the indefatigable characteristics and fighting mettle of the young builders of our era and an element in the invincibility of socialist Korea that is rising in a unique way in the face of trials.

With the conviction that, if this great spirit is elevated to a higher level, any project, however enormous, can be carried out briskly, our Party has decided to arrange a new theatre of activity, a grand theatre for our young people, where they can fully display their burning patriotic zeal once again in the course of spurring the comprehensive development of socialist construction.

More specifically, it has decided to entrust the Socialist Patriotic

Youth League and Paektusan Hero Youth Shock Brigade with the whole of the key project to build a unique street of more than 4 000 flats at the northern gateway to the capital city of Pyongyang, which is being carried out in addition to the project to construct 10 000 flats in the city during 2023.

The Party's intention is to help our young people to demonstrate more powerfully at the grand construction site in the capital city the heroic spirit and patriotic devotion unique to the Korean youth and to prepare them better as successors to the revolution, the reserves of the Workers' Party and able builders of socialism.

No sooner had the Party called on them, than as many as 100 000 young men and women from all the youth league organizations across the country volunteered to help build the capital city. Amid the warm encouragement and a send-off from everyone around them, they immediately left for Pyongyang. Seeing this, the whole country was deeply moved.

In the course of this, our laudable Paektusan Hero Youth Shock Brigade has been expanded and reinforced several times.

I have no doubt that our young builders will create, at the northern gateway to Pyongyang, a proud and world-startling symbol of the development of socialism and its future by displaying the mettle of the Korean young people who are prepared to brave fire and water in response to the call of the Party and motherland and who love nothing more than to carry out the revolution and to work.

Dear young builders,

At a time when the golden age of construction in Pyongyang is reaching its zenith, you have joined in it as honourable builders.

The importance of the tasks assigned to you young builders does not lie only in the fact that you will help to increase by several

thousands the number of flats for the capital's residents.

The new street you will build is truly a worthwhile and proud project, which is geared to ushering in a new phase in the development of Juche-oriented architecture.

A grand street axis and residential quarters will be formed, consisting of super-high-rise apartment blocks and other homes of various designs standing in good harmony with the public buildings. It will serve as a model and provide important experience for the development of Juche-oriented architecture and, in particular, for the construction of the capital city.

The vast group of structures in this unique street will vividly illustrate the prestige of our country which is advancing by leaps and bounds, and will clearly and proudly demonstrate to the world the dynamic progress our struggle is making by developing in a more extensive and vigorous manner in the face of the harshest ordeals and difficulties.

In this sense, this is not simply a construction project, but a form of political campaign indicative of the character of our revolution.

It is a revolutionary mission of crucial importance, and it has been entrusted to you.

I believe that I will be able to witness, in your energetic endeavours here at this site, the fact that the mettle and fighting spirit which pulsed among the young people of the preceding generations, of performing, in whatever they did, feats which would represent the times and be recorded in history, is still pulsating among the young people of the current generation.

As you all know, it is not only the project for building 4 100 flats here that has been launched on the construction front in the capital city this year, but also the second-stage project for building 10 000

flats in the Hwasong area and the construction of the Kangdong Greenhouse Farm.

Because all these construction projects are designed for the wellbeing of the capital city's residents and for motherly Pyongyang, our glorious capital city, our Party attaches equal importance and is giving strong impetus to them. Even so, I emphasize that it is paying particularly close attention to the construction of the new street, for which you are responsible.

This is partly because the completion of this street is of great significance, but more importantly because it is highly meaningful and precious in that the 100 000-strong contingent of young people who have come from every part of the country will be tempered in a revolutionary manner and grow up in the course of the work.

Construction of the new street will be a challenge, as you must complete this colossal project in a short period of time. So, once the project is launched, you are likely to encounter difficulties from the outset.

However, the strength of hot-blooded young people who are burning with loyalty and patriotism can overcome any trials and hardships.

Because you lack experience and skills and you are unaccustomed to hard work, you may waver or lose heart. But you must courageously prevail by relying on your organization, the collective and your comrades and by recalling the pledges you made when you volunteered.

By learning from and assisting one another you can make collective innovations in carrying out the project and devote your pure conscience and sincerity to ensuring that every

element of the project is of high quality and can be bequeathed with pride to posterity.

In the structures rising floor by floor, the whole country will see how our young people are growing stronger and wiser with each passing day, and in the grandeur of the wonderful new street at the gateway to the capital city, it will see how their ideals, ambitions, lofty dreams, courage and daring are growing beyond recognition.

Like the generations of your grandfathers and grandmothers, fathers and mothers, you will share the youthful pride and honour of having shed your precious sweat in the construction of the capital city, and will record in your personal accounts meritorious deeds which entitle you to refer with pride to my capital city, my Pyongyang.

Moreover, with the mode of struggle and approach to creation they have acquired in the capital city construction, the huge contingent of young people who have grown up here will, after returning to their home towns and villages, take the lead in the efforts to bring about radical change. This is the greatest outcome our Party prioritizes over anything else in the construction of the new street.

Praiseworthy young builders,

The time has come for you to work a miracle.

In the present era of successive struggles, we are pinning our hopes on your spirit.

It is time for you to prove your true worth.

The people of Pyongyang are encouraging you, young builders; the youth league organizations that have recommended and dispatched you and your parents who have willingly let their beloved children take leave of them are watching you; and all

the other people across the country are looking forward to the successful outcome of your struggle.

Besides them, the whole world is watching to see what the heroic mettle and unyielding struggle of our Korean young people can achieve.

I am fully convinced that the laudable Socialist Patriotic Youth League and Paektusan Hero Youth Shock Brigade will, through an indomitable and heroic struggle, prove themselves worthy of the call of the times and the expectations of the people, and will thus build here without fail in 2023 a splendid new street reflecting our young people's heightened temperament, incomparable heroic spirit and precious honour.

I hope that every one of you will overcome the trials in good health and emerge as honourable victors without fail.

Comrades,

For the dignified honour of the young people of Korea,

For the eternal prosperity of our socialist state and our capital city of Pyongyang, and

For our parents, siblings and friends,

Let us all mount a courageous struggle.

# **Speech at the Groundbreaking Ceremony of a Hospital and Leisure Complex in Kangdong County Under the Regional Development 20×10 Policy**

*February 6, 2025*

Comrades,

Dear residents of Kangdong County, who have turned out as one in the first stage of struggle in the new year with soaring confidence and patriotic enthusiasm,

Officers and men of the Guards hero construction unit and the 124<sup>th</sup> Regiment, and members of the non-permanent promotion committee who will open the prelude to the heroic struggle in 2025 that will be etched in history as another year of great victory,

2025 is a significant year in which we will build further on the successes of the first stage of the pioneering struggle for comprehensively developing socialism. The work for this year is getting underway with the construction of a hospital and leisure complex here in Kangdong County.

This can be regarded as the starting point of our efforts to achieve the ideals and ambition of the Party and government to guarantee people's rights and interests, promote their health, and build a brighter and rosier future for them. As I greet the moment when the construction projects we have long aspired to implement for the sake of the precious people of this country and their vibrant beautiful life are finally getting underway, my heart is beating

with delight at the thought that we have decided on and made preparations for a truly worthwhile and proud task.

I feel particularly happy that the sincerity of our Party and government will bring further wealth to people in the provinces. It is also gratifying that the eye-opening changes of the new era are being seen in another part of our country.

Through this historic groundbreaking ceremony, we are marking a meaningful starting point in the effort to accelerate the building of a civilized and prosperous country by giving people nationwide the hope and promise that they will receive advanced medical services and enjoy a civilized material and cultural life in their own regions, as well as by bringing about substantial, new qualitative changes in the regions.

At this moment, when we are taking another giant step towards great changes, I extend the utmost encouragement and warm militant greetings to the officers and men of the Guards unit and the 124<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the Capital City Defence Corps who, in advancing to the new construction sites, are carrying forward their tradition of standing faithfully in the vanguard of the struggle for bringing about the prosperity of the country and the wellbeing of the people.

I also extend militant greetings to the members of the design sector at all levels and the non-permanent promotion committee for regional development who have contributed to the rapid launch of these projects through a strenuous struggle, as well as to the officials and working people in the building-materials industry and other associated sectors who are firmly supporting the vast construction projects with unprecedented increased production, true to the decisions of the plenary meeting of the Party Central

Committee on expanding substantial regional rejuvenation.

Comrades,

The first step in all our work is always like this. But I want to start by stressing how much importance and significance we attach to the projects that are about to be launched.

This is because herein lies the answer to why we are building them at a time when other vast construction projects are already underway and it is hard to find spare manpower, and why we must complete them at the highest standard on time and without fail.

Our Party's regional development plan is aimed at ensuring that people in the provinces not only enjoy the same material life as that enjoyed by the citizens of the capital, but also lead a healthy life without any worries in an environment that is as cultured and sanitary as in the capital.

In other words, ideally the regional development policy will result in the whole country being put on an even cultural level by building up the regions so that they are as wonderful as the capital is and transforming the environment in the provinces so that people can enjoy a cultured life.

It is now virtually certain that, with modern light-industry factories being built in every city and county over the next ten years, people in the provinces will be able to attain the same level as city dwellers in terms of their material and economic life. Yet it is quite obvious that this alone will not eliminate the regions' inherent cultural backwardness and underdevelopment.

Cities and counties do not currently have adequate facilities for providing proper medical services to their inhabitants, nor do they have any decent welfare service facilities. This means that they hardly qualify as the cultural centres of their respective regions

and that the cultural standards of people in the provinces are much lower than those of the citizens of the capital.

Signs of the regions' backwardness and underdevelopment are more obvious in the sphere of cultural life than in that of material life. And the most serious of the gaps between urban and rural communities are evident in the sectors of public health, sanitation, science and education.

It would be impossible ever to eliminate this cultural backwardness in the regions if, for one reason or another, we put off the necessary endeavour to rectify it while refusing to accept the stark reality and simply discussing the feasibility. So, the Party Central Committee made an unusual, revolutionary resolve to act decisively in injecting advanced science, technology and civilization into all the cities, counties and even mountainous regions across the country, thus bringing about an uninterrupted advance towards the already-defined goals of regional development.

There is another key point worth highlighting in our proposal for prioritizing the construction of modern public health facilities and multifunctional cultural amenities in cities and counties.

The principal method we should employ in the comprehensive development of the regions is to encourage them to achieve all-round self-sustainability while providing them with state guidance and assistance.

In other words, the state should provide the regions with the material and technical foundations and conditions they need to stand on their own feet. On this basis, they can then build for themselves sufficiently powerful forces and potentials for achieving steady and sustainable development.

In view of both the lessons we have drawn from the recent

decades of stagnant regional development and the need for regional development to be a powerful motive force for the development of our state, the key to success is that each region should build its own self-supporting development capability.

The most important factor in regional transformation can be identified in the local forces for leading economic and cultural rejuvenation, that is, the spiritual and cultural preparedness of people in the provinces.

Well-qualified economic and technical forces will be required to ensure the proper operation of the modern regional-industry factories which are now under construction full steam. And each city and county should train talented personnel systematically so that it can make effective use of its own characteristics in paving a varied and unique path to development.

The faster regional development spreads nationwide, the greater these demands will become. To this end, an essential and inevitable element is the leisure complex which we are about to begin building.

This multifunctional leisure complex will, by ceaselessly providing the people of the region with the latest scientific and cultural nourishment, serve as fertile ground and a cradle for training them as proud masters capable of running modern industry on their own, as well as for identifying and training talented people.

I am sure that once the sci-tech learning base is furnished with high-performance IT means and databases on the latest sci-tech achievements, it will be of great help to the regional population, the young people and children in particular, in becoming familiar with modern science and culture and acquiring the insight and

qualifications they need to lead their region's economic and cultural development.

The new leisure complex will be furnished with facilities for people to watch films and enjoy sporting and cultural activities, commercial outlets with a clean sanitary environment, as well as various other welfare service facilities. Needless to say, as a cultural base it will be highly efficient in further enlightening the people, developing richer emotional feelings in them, and training them to be pioneers and creators of a new culture.

If cities and counties are to function effectively not merely as comprehensive centres of regional development but also as regional bases leading the cultural revolution in the countryside and maintaining economic and cultural ties between urban and rural communities, they must have the necessary means and conditions for expediting the assimilation of the peasantry to the working class and of rural areas into urban ones by promoting the rapid absorption of modern science and technology and actively disseminating advanced urban culture.

Without such means and conditions, our rural communities will lag far behind in terms of modern civilization, and they will be unable to approach the threshold of the new era of the socialist countryside.

The conclusion we can draw from this is obvious.

Only when we eliminate the differences in the cultural and intellectual levels between the citizens of the capital and people in the provinces, and between urban and rural dwellers, can our new regional development policy fully display its validity and vitality as a policy for ensuring the eternal prosperity of our regions both in name and in reality and for eliminating the urban-

rural gap once and for all.

Building modern public health facilities and multifunctional bases for cultural activities in cities and counties is a crucial and most urgent task that is of great strategic importance in accelerating the simultaneous and balanced development of all fields and all regions and bringing forward the complete victory of socialism.

It is a task that brooks no further delay.

We are facing a decisive period in which we should develop the cities and counties strategically, proactively and consciously.

We should always be mindful that our generation has shouldered the responsibility for this great cause of historic significance, which we must undertake just now.

The eternal prosperity of our regions is synonymous with the permanent future of our state and our style of socialism.

Comrades,

The leisure complexes we are planning to build in the cities and counties are something that has never been conceived of before in regional construction. We are also blazing a trail in building modern hospitals.

A hospital is a functional building that requires technical compatibility from the lowest units of the infrastructure to every item of medical equipment and every device. Building one is dozens of times as costly as erecting an apartment block or an industrial facility. Setting up an adequately-equipped hospital is challenging, since it requires advanced building techniques, expensive materials and considerable funding.

Despite the difficulty, we should build excellent hospitals in the cities and counties as symbols of the socialist public health service of our era. They should embody the Party's plan

for modernizing public health and its Juche-based concept of architectural aesthetic beauty.

The fact is that hospital construction in cities and counties is an important project we conceived of and worked out a long time before we planned the construction of industrial factories in the regions.

As a project for guaranteeing our people's life and safety and promoting their health, this naturally takes the priority among all the projects our Party has planned and is undertaking to transform our regions and build a cultured, prosperous state.

It is nonsensical to talk about the strength and development of a state and argue over the advantages of its system, if that state is unwilling and unable to take responsibility for its people's life and health.

A country's public health situation affords a glimpse into its political climate and level of civilization, and the quality of life of its citizens. In this sense, public health can be said to represent a nation's absolute values.

In the current era, laying solid foundations for the public health sector presents itself as a matter with a direct bearing on the security of a country and its future. The demand for protecting life and promoting health has grown rapidly. This being the case, our view and stand is that public health should naturally develop well ahead of the sectors associated with people's material and economic life.

Modernizing our public health sector and making it more advanced is the top priority for our Party and government.

Setting up modern hospitals in all cities and counties to bring advanced medical services closer to people in the provinces and enable them all to freely enjoy the benefits of modern medicine, at

the same time as building a first-class general hospital in the capital as befits the pivot and hub of our country's public health sector so that its techniques, experience and exemplary practices can be spread across the country—this is the Party's plan for modernizing public health.

Reconstructing hospitals in the cities and counties in parallel with building the general hospital in the capital is in line with the mission of socialist public health to take responsibility for the life and health of the entire population. It also fully accords with our new regional development policy, and is the fastest path to development based on the advantages of our system.

Today's groundbreaking ceremony marks the starting point on this great road, and is a decisive step forward and a major watershed for the future.

That is why I entrusted the country's best designers with drawing up the blueprints for the city and county hospitals. I pointed to the necessity of meeting the specialized technical requirements in designing all the elements, ranging from the site selection, structural layout and distribution of the buildings to the arrangement of the work flow, so as to maximize the convenience of such medical services as diagnosis and the treatment of patients and preclude the occurrence of such abnormalities as in-hospital infection.

I would like to add that the new hospitals to be built in the cities and counties will be divided into four categories according to the regional population. This year hospitals will be built here in Kangdong County and in Ryonggang County and the city of Kusong, one in each region and all three of different sizes, on a trial basis.

This year we should build these hospitals as models and

accumulate experience in the process. Then, starting next year, we are planning to set up hospitals in 20 cities and counties simultaneously, one in each region, on an annual basis.

By the close of this year a modern hospital will have arisen here, and in the coming ten years, excellent medical service facilities will appear in all the country's cities and counties. When I think of this, I feel immensely proud of our truly worthwhile and valuable struggle.

The Party Central Committee will do its best to ensure that the regional population receives advanced treatment at modern hospitals.

Kangdong County, ministries, national agencies and other associated units should work in a responsible manner under a detailed plan to build up the ranks of medical workers and service staff and enable the new facilities to render a substantial contribution to promoting residents' health and wellbeing and developing the region's culture.

Making responsible preparations for the hospitals' operation to ensure advanced services for people in the regions should be done in parallel with the building work.

The most serious problem is that our public health workers have a limited understanding of what a comprehensive modern medical facility is and lack experience in operating its equipment. In short, their academic qualifications and medical skills are inadequate.

It is important to organize effective technical training sessions for medical workers so that they can work properly after the hospitals are inaugurated, and ensure that technicians and skilled workers are fully versed in their specialist fields.

In particular, strong demands need to be made on medical

workers so that they remain up to date with the diagnostic and therapeutic methods of modern trends in medical development, raise the level of their technical skills and qualifications, and improve their knowledge of foreign languages.

All officials, including leading cadres of the Party and government, should take a creative stand and attitude befitting masters in the effort to cement the foundations of the country's public health sector. They should clearly identify what they need to do and play their proper role.

Comrades,

We are faced with the important task of breathing fresh life into our socialist public health service.

The rapids of a new revolution in public health have risen to join the waves of the regional industrial revolution which will soon sweep the whole country.

I affirm that our public health sector will develop anew as the soil for cultivating the strength of life of this country and as the strong root of regional rejuvenation.

This year, 2025, will be recorded in our country's history as the first year of the public health revolution.

Let us remember this moment today when our socialist public health service sets sail for the new horizon of development.

Dear soldier-builders, who are courageously advancing in the vanguard of the construction revolution in our era,

The Party has always placed unshakable trust in the People's Army's outstanding revolutionary character and creative spirit.

The officers and men of the Guards hero construction unit have, in support of our Party's sincere wish and through their heroic and resourceful labour, built for the people splendid monumental

edifices representative of the era. In the same spirit as they displayed in doing this, they should fully demonstrate their unique creativity and versatility also in building the Kangdong County Hospital.

The commanding officers of the 124<sup>th</sup> Regiment should work in a sweeping way and with scrupulous care in planning and directing the construction process, so that the soaring morale of the soldier-masses can bring about great success in construction. Then they can dynamically push ahead with the overall construction work, according to the schedule.

Your unyielding offensive spirit and militant work style will encourage all the people to display patriotism and strive for increased production in their effort to glorify the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Party and its Ninth Congress.

I hope that all the soldier-builders, highly conscious that they are responsible for the frontline posts of the regional revolution, will work with utmost sincerity to ensure the perfect quality of their building work, and thus complete excellent structures the levels of specialization and functional qualities of which are fully guaranteed.

Let us never forget that the heavier the burden our army bears, the earlier the new era of regional transformation will come and the greater the benefits our beloved parents, brothers and sisters will enjoy.

My beloved comrades-in-arms, generals, officers and men of the People's Army,

Let us all fight with even greater courage and more vigour to achieve the great ideals of our people and the victory of our cause!

**Rallying Speech to Officers and Soldiers  
of the KPA and Officers and Other Members  
of the Paektusan Hero Youth Shock Brigade  
at the Groundbreaking Ceremony of  
a 450-hectare Greenhouse Farm and  
Vegetable Science Research Centre**

*February 10, 2025*

Officers and soldiers of the Navy and Air Force units of the Korean People's Army, famed for their ardent spirit of patriotism and brilliant exploits,

Officers and other members of the Paektusan Hero Youth Shock Brigade, bearer of the most honourable name,

You have come to this important construction site with the high ambition of playing a major role in implementing the Party's far-reaching plan, and I extend warm encouragement to you.

As I have already stated, now that the damage caused by the natural disaster has been cleared up and a new socialist way of life has been established, our Party and government are planning to implement a new, promising regional development project here on the banks of the Amnok River.

The site of the construction of a large greenhouse farm, where we are now standing, will be a symbol of our cause of rejuvenating the whole country through a continuous, accelerated struggle. It will also provide another clear image of the higher stage and progress achieved in our Party's plan for promoting

regional and rural rejuvenation.

I take great pride in launching this ambitious regional development project. Yet I feel even prouder of the fact that I have entrusted the important task of carrying it out to our most faithful large combined units of the services of the revolutionary armed forces and the youth brigade, whose members are filled with soaring enthusiasm for waging an unyielding struggle.

Wherever miraculous successes are achieved and legendary tales of construction are created, I see the officers and soldiers of the Navy and Air Force. This is by no means coincidental. I believe it is inevitable, considering the relationship between you and me, who always share the same purpose.

I am convinced that the officers and soldiers of our Navy and Air Force and the officers and other members of the Paektusan Hero Youth Shock Brigade will give full play to their qualities as elite ranks that are carrying forward our great pioneering spirit through great creations and transformations, and by doing so present a splendid and serviceable project to our country and people.

Comrades,

We are filled with the confidence and courage to change the times because we believe in our own strength and because we have an army and young people who are infinitely loyal to the Party's leadership. We are advancing without letup towards building a powerful country along a path nobody else in the world has ever trodden, because our heroic army and young people are performing great feats.

What you will build is a large-scale greenhouse farm, and yet what surpasses it by far is the prestige of our dignified state, the

beautiful life of our beloved people and the lofty ideals to which we aspire.

I pay high tribute to the days of creation which you will glorify with your vibrant youth and enthusiasm, as well as to the traces which you will leave with the strenuous efforts which reflect your ennobling spirit and vigorous steps.

Along with our ever-prospering times, you will always have the happy future of your parents and siblings to encourage you.

Let us all advance,  
For the high prestige of our army and young people,  
For the transformation of a region that will be the envy of the world,  
For the eternal prosperity of our motherland!

## **Speech at the Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Project to Build 10 000 Flats at the Fourth Stage in the Hwasong Area**

*February 16, 2025*

Comrades,

Today, just as we have done without fail in each of the past four years, we are holding another groundbreaking ceremony at the start of the new year for the construction of 10 000 flats.

With the 10 000 flats to be built in the Hwasong area this year, the construction of 50 000 flats in Pyongyang, which has progressed full steam ahead since the Party congress, will enter the final phase.

At this significant moment, when we are launching the fourth stage of housing construction in the Hwasong area, I am reminded of how strenuously we have worked over the whole course of the past four years to make amazing exploits and step up the schedule of transformation. I also recall with deep emotion the loud cheers that have rung out year after year to celebrate the completion of new streets for the people.

Thanks to your ennobling spirit and devotion to capital city construction, Pyongyang has been transformed into the more splendid city we desired. Its dignified and vibrant features instil great confidence and courage in the people across the country as they greet a period of massive transformation.

This is a proud record of the times and high recognition of the immortal exploits and glorious feats you have achieved through

your determined and vigorous struggle to honour our Party's cherished desire with miracles of creation.

As we see in the reality, the annual construction of 10 000 flats in Pyongyang has been steadily promoted during the eighth term of the Party Central Committee.

In this period, despite the persistent difficulties facing our state, economic sectors have built up their capacities, the overall national economy has entered a phase of sustained growth, and new records have been set in various areas of state affairs thanks to the outstanding successes that are unprecedented in the history of the Republic.

Let me cite a few examples. In the period of the five-year plan put forward at the Eighth Party Congress, the electric power industry has maintained a remarkable trend of increased production while steadily expanding the scope of its upturn; a record high has been attained in cement production; and the agricultural sector has entered a trajectory secure enough to keep a high and stable level of grain production.

Housing construction in Pyongyang has been the most stable and rapidly growing sector, with the perfect and unconditional fulfilment of the ambitious plans that, in consideration of the long-term requirements, were added every year to the goals decided on by the Party congress. In 2024, the growth rate in this sector reached a striking 391%, compared to 2020.

The construction projects that have progressed country-wide over the past four years, particularly the construction of 10 000 flats a year in the capital city, have created a record of great transformation, a record so outstanding that the phrase *groundbreaking* accompanied by *inauguration* has come into

common use. This can be called the greatest of successes, which we can be proud of before the world.

I said this in Ragwon County two days ago.

To be frank, these days I have been very tired and busy due to attending so many inauguration and groundbreaking ceremonies that have been scheduled one after another. Such are the moments of drastic change we are facing.

This fact clearly proves how many goals we have advanced and are striving to achieve for the prosperity and transformation of the country.

Amid this strenuous struggle, our belief in our own strength has become firmer, and we have fostered an indomitable fighting spirit and the self-confidence with which to advance our cause.

Belief in our own strength and self-confidence—this is the most important of all, a spiritual asset that is more precious than any physical wealth.

I would like to avail myself of this significant opportunity, when we are launching a new struggle for developing capital city construction onto a higher plane, to extend warm thanks and militant greetings to all the builders as they take a vigorous step forward to attaining more ambitious goals with dignity and pride in having performed brilliant exploits in the worthwhile construction work.

I also express my heartfelt thanks to the officials and workers in the relevant sectors who, by raising the fierce flames of a leap forward and increasing production, are providing a guarantee for the implementation of our Party's construction policy and injecting it with vigour.

Comrades,

Construction has become a major realm of our struggle, and it is expanding its position at the centre of the times.

We are engaged in a struggle to move from a revolution to something more gigantic, and from the stage of development to a higher level of transformation. In the course of this struggle, construction is gaining extraordinary significance and power.

Construction is precisely investment in, and preparation for, the future.

The revolution in construction is the essential prerequisite for our Party's development strategy of bringing about epochal changes on this land, and the implementation of all the key policies of the Party and the state is, without exception, accompanied by construction, regardless of sectors, units and regions.

It can be said that the historic cause of the comprehensive rejuvenation of our state and the improvement of the people's well-being begins with construction, moves ahead with construction and comes to fulfilment with successful construction.

It would be no exaggeration to say that construction is one of the spheres that intuitively expresses our politics, helps us get closer to attaining our ideals of civilization and prosperity, and rapidly increases the wealth of our country.

Construction not only plays the role of a powerful weapon in the steady advance and development of our state, but also exerts, as an ensemble of the nation's strength, a leading, powerful influence on the efforts to transform the economy, science, technology, culture and all other fields.

The obvious signs of our country improving its appearance and the rapid succession of remarkable changes in different fields of state and social life, the like of which have never been seen in

the history of our nation building, are directly associated with the miraculous development our architecture has achieved amid the flames of a new revolution in construction.

With the extensive construction projects now underway across the country, the trend of irreversible change and upturn is becoming increasingly dominant, and our cause is gaining greater momentum for its dynamic advance.

When construction comprises the main front decisive of the advance of our revolution, the major factor in its successful implementation is how we understand and confirm once again the purpose and character of our construction struggle.

This groundbreaking ceremony serves as an important occasion for refreshing our understanding of what is the true aim our Party and state is pursuing in dynamically pushing ahead with gigantic construction projects with such great efforts, and how we are achieving the dynamic advance of our struggle and our own style of change and development.

This housing construction site in the Hwasong area bears vivid testament to our people-first politics and is a clear sign of how our cause is making a more vigorous advance and a greater leap forward towards the goal of a powerful country with each passing day.

This is the core and character of the grand construction campaign that will stir the Hwasong area.

The fourth stage of the project in the Hwasong area will include various modern amenities, as well as the 10 000 flats.

To build the Hwasong area into a model administrative district in Pyongyang, where everything the residents need is fully provided—this is the idea I have put forward and maintained since

the beginning of this whole project.

Therefore, I have ensured that the master plan and designs for construction in the Hwasong area were drawn up through a greater effort, with a concept different from that of previous street formations, and that the construction itself has also been carried out to this end.

The fact is that the amenities to be built here this year are functional buildings which are large in scale and demand high technical requirements. To build them, together with 10 000 flats, is by no means an easy task.

But this plan is linked with the people's demands, so we must put it into effect without fail, and we will do so.

This is our Party's consistent principle of struggle.

If the Hwasong area, with its wonderful new flats, is furnished with these splendid amenities, it will be turned into a model urban-block formation, and a beautiful and magnificent place where formative and artistic beauty and advanced civilization are in good harmony.

Comrades,

Housing construction in Pyongyang should continue until the Party's plan is turned into reality and its citizens are furnished with perfect conditions for leading a civilized and happy life without any inconvenience.

I would like to avail myself of this opportunity today to outline some of our Party's policy-oriented plans for capital city construction.

We plan to implement with serious intent the policy of extending the Pyongyang streets towards Kangdong as the second stage, after winding up the construction in the Hwasong area.

Since major scientific research institutes, technical colleges and military academies are to be built in Taesong District, we are going to have tens of thousands of modern flats built between the Hwasong area and Songmun-dong in Samsok District.

This will form another wonderful scientific, cultural and housing area in Pyongyang.

In addition, we will transform such culturally backward metropolitan areas and suburbs as Tungme-dong in Songyo District, Wolhyang-dong in Moranbong District and Hadang-dong in Hyongjesan District, and thereby eliminate and renovate all the elements that are unbecoming of a capital city.

These initiatives will be reported to the Party congress and submitted to the next Party Central Committee as a major task.

Comrades,

The fourth stage of the project in the Hwasong area, which our Party has courageously shouldered for our most precious people, is the crystallization of the unyielding offensive spirit of us, revolutionaries, who are faithful to our unchangeable mission. The whole construction area here is the epitome of the spirit peculiar to the Workers' Party of Korea that wages the revolution without interruption, and of the onward march of our state that is advancing to the future with a great ambition.

The enthusiasm for creation and vigorous fighting spirit to be displayed in the Hwasong area will encourage a redoubling of the unrivalled strength and courage at construction sites across the country and further boost our state's advance.

Although this project is large in scale, I am convinced that it will bear great fruit thanks to the strong drive and practical abilities of the commanding personnel and the self-confidence and soaring

morale of all the builders.

The Hwasong area will soon become more famous not only as a cradle of the happy and civilized life of the people but as a historic land telling fresh miraculous tales of indomitable socialist Korea.

Elite capital city builders, a source of pride and dignity for our Party,

The 80<sup>th</sup> founding anniversary of our glorious Party and its Ninth Congress, which will go down in history, will witness the immortal exploits to be performed by you, who are boundlessly loyal to the Party's ideas and cause.

Our capital city should be the most beautiful and greatest in the world.

For the wonderful appearance and eternal prosperity of our capital city,

For the civilization of our state and for the happy life of our people,

Let us turn out with even greater courage in the great struggle.

Long live Pyongyang, the great capital city of our motherland—our beloved, proud, dignified and glorious city!

# **Pyongyang General Hospital Is a Powerful Engine of the Public Health Revolution and the Parent Body of Our Modern Public Health Service**

Speech at the Inauguration Ceremony  
of Pyongyang General Hospital  
*October 6, 2025*

Dear Pyongyang citizens,  
Delegates attending the celebrations of the October holiday,  
Officers and soldiers of the construction unit and construction  
workers who have realized another long-cherished desire of the  
Party by building a wonderful, modern hospital in our capital city  
of Pyongyang,

Medical workers and other staff of Pyongyang General Hospital,  
Comrades,

The long-awaited moment has come when we are proclaiming  
the inauguration of this hospital.

I am proud that we have achieved the first outcome of the public  
health revolution, which our Party decided to launch in order to  
protect and inject vigour into our precious lives. I also find it  
intensely moving that we have managed to translate into reality  
something that has been one of our ideals for some years.

This is truly one of the most fervent wishes I have wanted  
to fulfil, and something that has always been in the forefront of  
my mind.

In recent years, there have appeared modern medical facilities in various parts of the country; this is a model hospital that meets the highest standards.

Modern medical facilities are indispensable in ensuring that the working people enjoy the rights granted to them by the state.

With the development of the times, people's requirements regarding the protection of their lives and the promotion of their health far exceed those regarding their material and economic life. A country's public health situation can be called a mirror and yardstick of its appearance and of the character of its social system.

Our country's public health system is particularly advantageous and people-oriented, in that it values the people's lives above all else and the state takes responsibility for the health of the entire population. Yet today, in terms of material and technological foundations, public health is weaker than any other sector; hospital facilities in particular are outdated.

That is why, long ago, I conceived a plan of building a first-rate general hospital that would perform the backbone functions and role in our country's public health sector, and I ensured that the preparations needed were made over several years.

Pyongyang General Hospital is a modern medical centre, the architectural style, components and environment of which are designed to help patients remain stable both mentally and psychologically, and which meets the general requirements of modern architecture. The specialist facilities and equipment of all its systems meet every health and hygiene standard, and help ensure the scientific accuracy and smooth operation of its medical services.

Building the hospital was costly, but I am delighted that we

now have a model hospital that can provide our people with an excellent medical treatment environment and advanced medical services. And my pride in waging the revolution is greater than ever before.

This modern general hospital, the operation of which is conducive to promoting our people's health and protecting their lives, is located in the heart of the capital. This is an auspicious event to be recorded in the annals of our times, when transformations are taking place that meet the people's beautiful dreams and ideals.

Today what I am delighted with first of all is that I have achieved a true desire and objective of mine, which is to build Pyongyang General Hospital as a worthy and genuine gift for our people.

As I said before, certain difficulties and complicated issues occurred in the course of building this hospital, owing to the undisciplined arrangements made by some fame-seeking individuals. However, we have taken the necessary steps and, by remaining unflinchingly faithful to our basic mission, have fulfilled our sacred duty of absolute service for the people.

Under no circumstances should we allow Party policy to be undermined by personal fame.

We are now standing here, with pride in having defended the people-oriented character of Party policy, which must never be undermined.

I would like to affirm that the vitality of the policies pursued by the Workers' Party of Korea lies in their absolutely people-oriented character.

Pyongyang General Hospital will leave its name in history as a symbol of the genuine and deep sincerity shown by the Party, as a hospital which was built from A to Z on its own responsibility and

equipped with the best possible facilities for the sake of the people.

Herein lies the true value of this gift our Party is offering to the people on the occasion of its founding anniversary.

I would like to avail myself of this happy occasion to express my special thanks to the officers and soldiers of our Guards unit, all the construction workers and the staff of the design institutions, who have made devoted, sincere efforts to build this excellent hospital, true to the Party's policy and decision on the development of the public health sector.

Also, I would like to congratulate the officials, doctors, nurses and other staff of the hospital who are present here, who, with an ennobling mission of serving the people, are delighted at being posted to this fine hospital.

Comrades,

All the plans conceived and pushed forward by our Party are aimed at protecting the people's lives and improving their quality of life. This definitely demands that we accelerate the development of the public health sector.

Our Party's strategy for modernizing the public health sector is, in essence, a strategy of simultaneous promotion.

In other words, it is to reinforce the public health sector all at once by simultaneously promoting the construction of central and regional hospitals, individual healthcare facilities and medical service infrastructure across the country, and combining medical treatment and services, personnel training and scientific research.

Pyongyang General Hospital can be referred to as the parent body of our modern public health service, a powerful engine that will play the leading role in dynamically carrying out the public

health revolution which has just begun and which the whole nation will witness.

As a centre of diagnosis and treatment, clinical study and dissemination, academic exchange and expert training, the hospital can play the pivotal, core role in modernizing the public health sector. An engine, pacesetter and assistant in the development of public health, it can provide all the other hospitals to be built across the country with scientific, specialist and systematic guidance and human, material and technological assistance.

I expect that the standard-bearers and hardcore personnel who will play the major role in modernizing the public health sector will be trained here, and that new models and fine experience in treatment, scientific research, services and management will be created here and spread across the country.

Today, as we launch a new revolution aimed at rejuvenating and achieving a leap forward in the public health sector, we have completed a major project of great significance.

Comrades,

The mission of Pyongyang General Hospital is extremely important and all its officials, doctors, nurses, workers and technicians present here are shouldering heavy responsibilities.

With the hospital nearing its opening, it is imperative to make the best possible preparations for its operation.

This is the first time for us to run an advanced hospital and provide the latest medical services in our country.

As our medical workers lack experience in operating comprehensive modern medical facilities, it would be advisable to normalize the operation of the hospital from November, after they have acquired a full understanding of the relevant equipment.

They should take good care of the precious medical equipment and apparatuses, as these are indispensable in providing the people with advanced medical treatment, and they should master their different functions so as to bring about a substantial improvement in medical services.

It is important to continually update the functions for improving the level, convenience and utility of the intelligent medical service system at Pyongyang General Hospital so as to steadily raise the comprehensive IT level of the in-hospital medical services and management.

We directed special attention to selecting every medical worker for the hospital and building up the ranks of its staff with able and promising personnel who hold the highest qualifications in the public health sector, have rich clinical experience and are capable of operating the country's centre of healthcare. They should all become genuine medical workers who devote the medical knowledge and skills they learned under the state's care solely for the good of the people. Then they will become a medical team that is trusted and appreciated by the people.

In the current era changes and transformations that would have been unimaginable in the past are taking place in the public health sector, too, and this is thanks to the rapid development of science and technology. So, they should never rest content with their existing knowledge, skills and experience.

They should work hard to master the latest medical techniques and positively apply methods of diagnosis and therapies in their clinical practice, in keeping with the development trend of modern medicine. By doing so, they can steadily improve the quality of medical services.

It is important to organize refresher courses, practical training, experience exchange workshops, sci-tech presentations and the like in accordance with a proper methodology in order to broaden the horizon of medical workers and improve their skills. And it is necessary to provide conditions for the related specialists to hold joint research and consultation with foreign medical and health care institutions.

As I mentioned before, all the duties of Pyongyang General Hospital are of key importance in carrying out the public health revolution, many of which are pioneering projects involving new research, applications, introductions and formulations.

They include the study, introduction and formulation of the most appropriate and effective modes of medical service and management that can satisfy the people's demand for scientific, advanced treatment at a more modern hospital and by medical personnel with high specialist skills and qualifications.

However, projects are currently progressing slowly and unsatisfactorily, being hampered by unrealistic management methods and old-fashioned laws.

We should go full steam ahead, without any further delay, with fundamentally overhauling the established institutional mechanisms which, having remained in force for several decades, have lost their vitality and bring people no substantial benefit, as well as with improving the structural systems and irrational methods of operation that are not in keeping with the changing reality and are hindering the development of the public health sector.

We have decided that Pyongyang General Hospital should take the lead in discovering and applying rational and effective methods and plans that meet the people's requirements and the reality.

With their advantages and vitality confirmed, we can create the necessary legal conditions and environment for generalizing them, in conformity with the specific conditions in the regions, units and objects concerned.

The word *revolution* itself means a struggle to replace everything that is old and backward with something that is new and advanced, and it inevitably goes hand-in-hand with qualitative change.

We must solve this problem without fail if we are to ensure that the results of the public health revolution, which we are working so hard to achieve, make a substantial contribution to protecting the people's lives and promoting their health, and if we are to provide a guarantee for the sustained and long-term development of our socialist public health sector, which is responsible for the health of the entire population.

There is an obvious reason why the public health sector is weaker and more sluggish than other sectors in its development.

It is the political disease, that is, a wrong way of thinking and manner of work that have been prevalent in this sector. Although they are well aware that the existing management and operating system and methodology retain obvious limitations, which allow no step forward to be taken in the sector as a whole, officials persist in obstinately maintaining them, on the pretext of the permanency and characteristics of the public health system.

There is an inevitable change that needs to be made, and there is a clear roadmap for it. But as the officials are making no effort to devise appropriate measures for it, being obsessed with how to shirk their responsibility while keeping hold of their posts, hospitals are not functioning as well as they ought to, and the medical appliance and pharmaceutical industries are plodding

along sluggishly, and have even regressed. This is a well-known fact.

I want to make it clear that solving this problem is part of the mission and responsibility of our public health law, which is designed to maintain the people-oriented character of our socialist public health system and accelerate its development. It is also a key matter of the state.

In this regard, I would like to mention that we should identify the main indicator of the public health revolution in steadily developing the nation's medical science and technology and updating the public health law, and that in carrying out the revolution hospitals should bear their due responsibility and cooperate with it, as well as being engaged in it.

Hospitals should be prepared, on a preferential basis and in both material and technological terms, to introduce the latest achievements of medical science and technology into their clinical work. This alone will provide the basis on which to develop the country's public health law and advance its medical science and technology quickly.

In future, we should set up a proper framework capable of providing a legal guarantee for drawing up a long-term plan for building hospitals on the basis of not only an estimate of the present level of medical science and technology and the immediate demand, but also a proper estimate of future trends in their development and possible changes in demand. Then we can produce their designs accordingly and ensure their construction.

Present here are members of the Party central leadership, and I would like to ask you to identify your particular tasks in ensuring that Pyongyang General Hospital performs its mission to the full

as the central base in facilitating the development of our country's medical and other public health organs.

I believe you will all adopt a responsible standpoint and make voluntary practical efforts to realize the Party's intention of putting our public health sector onto the most advanced level by strongly pushing ahead with its renovation.

Comrades,

Today we have taken a huge step forward on the journey of the public health revolution.

Yet, this is only a new milestone and another starting point for us.

Building modern healthcare facilities should be continued and steadily promoted until everyone in the country has full access to decent medical services.

I would like to avail myself of this opportunity to refer to a number of projects for building modern healthcare facilities.

First, we intend to establish an independent organ specializing in the design of healthcare facilities.

The foremost process in the campaign for modernizing the public health sector, which is going full steam ahead at the moment, is the design of its facilities.

A healthcare facility can be called an ensemble of architectural art and an integration of architectural technology.

A hospital is a specialist technology space which exerts strict demands, as its technical interaction must be ensured from the infrastructure terminals to the last piece of medical equipment or appliance. It is also a sort of cultural space which should incorporate comprehensive welfare service facilities. So, hospital design needs a much higher level of proficiency than that of other

kinds of structure, like a theatre or hotel.

Considering the characteristics of healthcare facilities, steadily upgrading their design in terms of architecture is something we need to pay continuous attention to.

We need to make it a rule that a review design should reflect the latest thinking, whenever an important project is finished.

Pyongyang General Hospital has been further upgraded and developed on the principle of drawing up an architectural design by attaching importance to the utility, capacity, specialization and functionality of a relevant facility, while ensuring its economic effectiveness and profitability.

Still, there are some parts which have had to be rebuilt due to shortcomings in its design. And there is something, albeit trifling, I feel regretful about from the point of view of the future.

Only when we draw up a design that reflects the latest thinking will we be able to make the most of that which is good and rectify that which is inadequate so as to move steadily ahead. Then we can blaze a trail and make uninterrupted progress in every construction project.

In building hospitals, we should embrace the highest possible modern, progressive and specialist features.

Since it is backward by comparison with other sectors, the public health sector should begin at the stage of laying its foundations by intensively introducing and assimilating the world's most advanced and progressive elements.

We need to adopt immediate organizational measures for setting up an institute which will specialize in designing structures, ranging from central, provincial, city and county hospitals to clinics and pharmacies.

We are also going to consider forming a team or organization to take charge of the project for renovating public health.

It is an undeniable fact that we cannot do anything or take a single step forward while the Ministry of Public Health, which exists in name only, remains as it is.

If a hospital or pharmacy is to be built, design organs are in the habit of demanding that the ministry supply the requirements for the building process.

So I recently reprimanded the design sector.

The Ministry of Public Health exists in name only, lacking anyone who has common sense and ideas. If they were asked for the requirements for a building process, how could they present anything proper?

What can we expect from those who have done nothing about the hospitals, the foundations of public health, leaving them to stagnate for over half a century?

Let me cite as an example the uniforms for the doctors and nurses of this Pyongyang General Hospital.

Recently I examined these uniforms. They looked like the white cloth used in making sacks. I was dumbfounded, and issued a severe reprimand.

Their response was that the nurses' uniform was tailored according to a design from the Central Industrial Design Bureau, as there was no standard model. But it just looked like a uniform for an attendant or hairdresser.

Is it as challenging to design the uniforms for doctors and nurses according to common sense, as it is building an industrial establishment? And does designing them require funds?

They could have got help and presented even a few designs if

they had only looked at some foreign magazines. But this was the last thing the Ministry of Public Health and the Central Industrial Design Bureau did.

Let me ask: Is this the attitude of state organs working for the state and the people in the spirit of service for them, which we advocate?

Is this all they could do?

From this simple example we can easily imagine the present state of the Ministry of Public Health and the standard of the staff at this organ.

They are devoid of common sense and ideas; worse still, they have no desire to do something fresh. We are too short of time to awaken them and make them work properly.

This is the reason that has led us to determine to form a relevant team or research organ.

Based on this measure and the experience we have gained in building Pyongyang General Hospital, we are now going to have a second general hospital built in Pyongyang.

What I mean is that, in addition to the big, large-capacity Pyongyang General Hospital, a second hospital will be built, in consideration of the population of the capital, which will fully satisfy their demands for outpatient and other medical treatment.

Under study also are a plan for building general hospitals in the provincial seats on a par with the central hospitals and a plan, as a link in the whole chain of the drive for consolidating the foundations of the country's public health system, for setting up essential medical facilities in places between city and county hospitals and ri clinics.

We plan to report these future plans to the coming Party congress.

Comrades,

It is our consistent stand that the strength and advantages of the social system cannot be expected from a state that is devoid of the will and capabilities to satisfy the demands of its people for protecting their lives and promoting their health.

To be absolutely clear; it is our will to push ahead powerfully with building up the country's public health system and transform it in the near future.

Building up our public health capabilities is actually as crucial as building up the nation's capabilities for defending people's lives and safety against the threat of war.

In view of the intrinsic demands of our society, in which human life is valued above all else, and the demands of the reality, in which public health is becoming more closely associated with the security and future destiny of our state, I think that building up the public health foundations should naturally be regarded as the most important of state affairs.

The heavy duty of carrying out the public health revolution which we, as revolutionaries, have assumed courageously for our precious people, demands that we, faithful to our duty, wage a steadfast struggle and redouble our efforts.

Comrades,

Let us work as hard as we can for a more beautiful future when our people will enjoy a rich and cultured life in happiness and good health.

I hope that Pyongyang General Hospital will remain forever a facility that injects vigour and inexhaustible vitality

into our people, a palace where their health and laughter are protected.

With the sincere wish that all our people will enjoy good health and lead a happy life, and with a renewed determination to serve them more faithfully, I will end my inauguration speech here.

Thank you.

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