Dear NTNU Chinese Alumni,

On behalf of the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, NTNU, I would like to thank you very much for your generous donation of personal protective equipment (PPE). Every contribution we have received helps fight the coronavirus outbreak and COVID-19.

We are currently working very hard to provide the best possible working conditions for our health workers, researchers and students during this difficult time period. Your support by this equipment is greatly appreciated.

So far, I am optimistic as COVID-19 seems to be under the control, indicated by the fact that numbers of hospitalized patients as well as ICU patients have been stable during the last 2 weeks. However, we still have a large number of medical staff who are infected and are facing the shortage of PPE. Your donation is of timely assistance. A part of PPE you sent was immediately delivered to the front line of medical teams.

I am personally touched not only by the PPE per se you donated but also your bond with NTNU. I am also touched by the nice poem you have put on the donation boxes, i.e. “Tro ikke mørket når lyset går ned i skumringens fang. Alltid er det på jorden et sted soloppgang” by André Bjerke.

“Knowledge for a better world” is NTNU’s vision, “Health for a better world” is the vision of the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences.

Sincerely yours,

Björn Gustafsson
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