It was with great personal gratification that I penned this little note of appreciation, truth be told.

The Lions Building project was conceived in 1996, the ground breaking officiated in 2001. What seemed like ages that followed and some 100 million baht later the Building has finally become operational in 2008. But then such a robust and formidable building did not one conception or one initiation ceremony make. It took the painstaking efforts and sacrifices of many a Lion in Thailand to see this worthy project through.

Worthy of special mention is the undying, unyielding, never-take-no-for-an-answer faith of Past International Director Vuthi Boonnikornvoravith who did not only lead but also inspired, who did not only plead but also coughed up big time. If anything else, we owe it to ourselves and Vuthi for this tangible success sitting before us.

The LION in Thai Magazine is proud to have played a small part in morally, publicly and financially supporting this project. Just as the proof of the pudding is in the eating, the proof of our own pride is in the existence of the permanent Magazine Office on the third floor of the Building.

A hundred years from now, Lions of the future will have looked at the Building with awe and will have looked back at this happy moment when we, the current crop of Lions, are patting ourselves on the back for a job well done. How fitting.

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