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The fate of our Commonwealth rests in our hands

Since the times of old, age has been a significant factor in our success and failure. Where the old rule and control our world based on their wisdom and experience, the youths one day replace them and shape them. However, the times have changed. Youths are becoming much more mature and are starting to comprehend the sheer complexity of the world. It is only fitting that they will now play a much more significant role in society.

It might be tempting to ask, what exactly changed that made our youths much more essential and play a more prominent role? Well, we are in the midst of the 4th Industrial Revolution. With that brings three crucial questions; What happens to our old traditions? What about our planet and climate change? Most importantly, how will we address the new fabric of society, like freedom of speech and the digital world? These types of questions have to be answered by our youths.

The best way the youths can serve our Commonwealth is to actively be a part of it, in the sense that they must actively participate in our Commonwealth. Scrolling through the Commonwealth official website shows various events we can join in. By doing so, we can start to understand the inner workings of our Commonwealth while, at the same time, indirectly encouraging other youths to do so. To add to that, education is another essential factor. We must strive to learn and study every day, as while school and learning may seem tedious or boring at times, education is laying our groundwork. It will eventually be vital as we navigate the real world.

Furthermore, we youths must be open-minded and forgo racial and cultural boundaries. Our world has never seen this level of connectivity. Without these boundaries, we can work together with unity and harmony, further establishing a positive community. Last but not least, we must constantly adapt to the present. We are moving at an unprecedented pace, and technological advancements are never quicker. While our countries are uneven in terms of resources and technological advancement, we have to incorporate these technological advancements into our lives and share them with others while at the same time preserving our traditional roots and culture.

To sum it up, youths can do plenty of things to serve our Commonwealth. This era is full of changes, and let's continue to change for the better.