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COMMUNITY CHEST RECEIVES 5-YEAR PLEDGE OF SUPPORT WORTH S\$5 MILLION FROM RESORTS WORLD SENTOSA ON SHARITY DAY Sharity Debuts in a Musical for Children with Different Abilities

Singapore, 3 October 2015 – About 1,200 school children, beneficiaries, volunteers and partners gathered at the Resorts World™ Theatre today to celebrate Sharity Day, a special day jointly organised by Community Chest and Resorts World Sentosa (RWS) for children with different abilities in celebration of Children's Day on 9 October 2015.

One of the event highlights today was Sharity making its musical debut in a leading role with a professional and voluntary cast, including special needs children, in a 50-minute production. Some 50 students aged between 7 to 15 years old from Grace Orchard School, a special education school supported by Community Chest, have been casted along with student volunteers from Pasir Ris Crest Secondary School. The musical relates a story that one can be a hero no matter what their age by simple acts of caring and sharing; with the message that children and youth, too, can make a difference in the lives of those in need.

RWS is one of the fore-runners in heeding the call from Community Chest for sustained giving so that social service programmes can be better planned with long-term outcomes. RWS has inked its 5-year pledge today, for the period of 2014 to 2018, with S\$5 million cash donations and in-kind support to Community Chest. To symbolise the beginning of a fruitful 5-year partnership, RWS and Community Chest invited Guest of Honour, Mr Tan Chuan-Jin, Minister for Social and Family Development to jointly launch the animated "Tree of Life" ("生命之树"). This animated tree tells the story of RWS' Corporate Social Responsibility journey and

signifies its commitment to support and nurture the next generation so that our society can grow stronger and greater.

“RWS’s 5-year partnership with Community Chest underlines our work to encourage sustained community and corporate giving, which we advocate. The long-term partnership will see us through social service programmes for bigger and better outcomes; more than a one-time donation can bring. With its world-class attractions, RWS is a natural partner in our efforts to nurture the next generation of givers, in driving the message that caring and sharing starts from young,” said Mr Phillip Tan, Chairman of Community Chest and the Care & Share Movement Steering Committee (陈永祥, 公益金主席及关怀与分享行动委员会主席).

“As a responsible corporate citizen in Singapore, RWS is honoured to partner Community Chest in realising their mission of raising funds from the community for the community in need. We are privileged to lead by example in corporate social responsibility through realising our social commitment of ‘Improving Lives. Bringing Hope’. We look forward to creating more significant impact through our partnership over the next few years.” said Mr Tan Hee Teck, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of RWS (陈启德, 主席与行政总裁, 圣淘沙名胜世界).

In 2014, RWS hosted the ComChest Care & Share Charity Show and the Remembering Acts of Love – Community Chest Charity Gala where both events raised a total donation of about S\$9 million. With the extension of the government matching grant under the Movement till the end of March 2016, donations from RWS this year will double in impact. The matched amount will go towards building capabilities and capacities of the social service sector.

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About Community Chest

For over 30 years, Community Chest has been engaging the community to support people in need through fund-raising and volunteering. Community Chest supports more than 80 charities in Singapore, allowing them to focus on caring for the less fortunate. As Community Chest's fund-raising and operating costs are covered mainly by Tote Board and Singapore Pools, every dollar donated will help:

- Children with special needs to reach potential
- Adults with disabilities to integrate into society
- Relationships of families in difficulty to stay strong
- Elderly to age gracefully in the community

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About the Care & Share Movement

Care & Share is a national fund-raising and volunteerism movement led by Community Chest for the social service sector, in celebration of SG50 this year. It aims to bring our nation together to show care and concern for the less fortunate, and recognise the contributions made by voluntary welfare organisations (VWOs). Eligible donations raised by Community Chest and participating VWOs from now till 31 March 2016 will be matched dollar-for-dollar by the Government. The matched amount will go towards building the capabilities and capacities of the social service sector and supporting social services to meet rising needs.

To contribute to this Movement, please visit careandshare.sg or email to csm@ncss.gov.sg.

About Resorts World Sentosa

Resorts World Sentosa (RWS), Asia's ultimate destination resort, is located on Singapore's resort island of Sentosa. 2015 marks the resort's fifth anniversary, and RWS will celebrate with a line-up of new offerings and special promotions. Spanning 49 hectares, RWS is home to key attractions including the region's first-and-only Universal Studios theme park, S.E.A. Aquarium (one of the world's largest aquariums), Adventure Cove Waterpark and Dolphin Island. Other attractions include a Maritime Experiential Museum, an award-winning destination spa, a casino, six unique hotels, the Resorts World Convention Centre, celebrity chef restaurants, and specialty retail outlets. The resort also offers world-class entertainment, from original resident productions to concerts and public shows such as the Crane Dance and the Lake of Dreams. RWS has been named "Best Integrated Resort" since 2011 for five consecutive years at the TTG Travel Awards which recognises the best of Asia-Pacific's travel industry.

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