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KWSH GIVES THE GIFT OF LOVE AT FUNDRAISING CONCERT FOLLOWING COMMENCEMENT OF OPERATIONS OF SECOND NURSING HOME AT POTONG PASIR

With its second nursing home located at Potong Pasir up and running since April 2022, Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital (KWSH) presented its annual charity concert event in the month of Mothers' Day. Minister for Community, Culture and Youth and Second Minister for Law, Mr Edwin Tong, graced the occasion as the guest of honour. Titled *The Gift of Love*, the event made its return amid eased pandemic control measures to offer the audience a long-awaited concert experience that closely resembled its pre-COVID self. Main act Liu Ling Ling anchored the show, bringing a symphony of love to the crowd.

2 During the concert, KWSH Chairman Mr Patrick Lee delivered a speech in Mandarin and shared about the Hospital's latest facility, "The new nursing home situated at Potong Pasir Avenue 1 adds on 438 beds, bringing Kwong Wai Shiu's total bed count to 1,200 and making the Hospital one of the largest nursing home operators in Singapore." With operations kicking off earlier in the previous month, services offered at the site include a Senior Care Centre, a traditional Chinese medicine centre, community care services, on top of nursing home inpatient care services. The nursing home is set to be officially opened at the end of the year.

3 In addition to having the esteemed presence of Minister Tong, the concert also welcomed Member of Parliament for Potong Pasir SMC, Mr Sitoh Yih Pin, as special guest. This marked KWSH's second tie-in with MP Sitoh, who continued to demonstrate his strong support for the Hospital after paying a visit to its latest premises prior to the start of its services and offering his valuable inputs.

4 The freshly minted facility and concomitant services, alongside our main site at Serangoon Road as well as four care centres, translate to raised annual expenses for the Hospital, which are expected to hit \$68 million. To cope with the escalating expenditure, the Hospital seeks to drum up support from the public and raise funds through its various events and campaigns. Proceeds amassed from the concert will go directly into funding KWSH's expenses in its continued mission to serve the needy.

5 With the pandemic thwarting the Hospital's recent fundraising efforts and reducing the scale of its events, this year's musicale was its first event in over two years to proceed with only minimal restrictions in place. Owing to the removal of safe distancing requirements, the concert was able to greet a turnout larger than its restriction-laden predecessor. Taking shape much alike its pre-pandemic format, the event is a beacon of hope for the return of the Hospital's fundraising endeavours in their former full glory in the near future.

6 The show was headlined by celebrated artiste, Liu Ling Ling, and presented by Ding Yi Music Company, both of whom the Hospital joined hands with for the first time for its charity concert. Lending her voice to KWSH, Liu Ling Ling amped up the audience with her zestful performances, filling the night with love and passion to spur them to care for the needy elderly.

7 Members of the media are invited to share this meaningful moment with KWSH and to cover the concert on **Sunday, 29 May 2022, 7:00pm to 9:35pm at Drama Centre**. The event shall be open to full media coverage. A brief programme is appended for your perusal. Please RSVP with the media contacts below by Friday, 27 May 2022, 12:00pm.

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Event Details

Date: Sunday, 29 May 2022
Time: 7:00m to 9:35pm
Venue: Drama Centre
100 Victoria Street, National Library Building, Level 3, Singapore 188064

Programme

6.45pm: Arrival of Special Guest, MP Sitoh Yih Pin
7.00pm: Arrival of GOH, Minister Edwin Tong
Presentation of Appreciation Tokens to Sponsors
7:30pm: Commencement of Concert
7.35pm: Welcome Address by KWSH Chairman, Mr Patrick Lee
9:35pm: End of Concert

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KWSH Key Names and Terms

KWSH <The Gift of Love> Charity Concert 广惠肇《感恩母爱》慈善演唱会
Mr Patrick Lee Kwok Kie 李国基先生
Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital @ Potong Pasir (KWSH@PTP) 广惠肇留医院波东巴西分院

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About Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital

Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital (KWSH) is a 111-year-old charitable healthcare organisation and is registered as an Institution of Public Character, committed to looking after the sick and needy. In the last century, it has continued the strong tradition of community service, having cared for many generations of Singaporeans, beginning its legacy in 1910 even before Singapore's independence. It is now one of the most established providers in the ILTC (Intermediate and Long Term Care) sector.

At present, KWSH operates two nursing homes, two rehabilitation centres, two traditional Chinese medicine centres, four community care centres, a community training institute and offers home care services. Many of its patients are from the lower-income group and their fees are heavily subsidised.

To better serve the rapidly ageing population, KWSH had undergone a major redevelopment to house the largest single-site nursing home in Singapore and also transform itself into an integrated community healthcare hub, providing healthcare services to its residents and the community. With the completion of its second nursing home in 2022, KWSH is now one of the largest nursing home operators with close to 1,200 beds as well as expansion in its other services.

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