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**CITI RAISED MORE THAN \$500,000 FOR CHILDAID THROUGH
CHARITY GOLF EVENT**

The proceeds will benefit children from financially disadvantaged families who are receiving assistance from The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund and The Business Times Budding Artists Fund

For the seventh consecutive year, Citi and Information Technology (IT) partners raised more than \$500,000 for ChildAid through its annual charity golf tournament. The funds consist of generous donations from Citi's IT partners and it will benefit ChildAid, a charity concert in aid of The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund (STSPMF) and The Business Times Budding Artists Fund (BT BAF). Costs of organising the Citi IT and Partners Charity Golf was borne by Citi so that every dollar raised goes towards helping the underprivileged children who are receiving assistance from the two Funds.

In addition to Citi's funding, the annual event is also organised by Citi employees from the Information Technology groups. With this year's proceeds, the total contribution to ChildAid through the charity golf tournament is a total of S\$3.64 million since ChildAid has been adopted as the benefiting charity from 2011. The proceeds will be divided equally between STSPMF and BT BAF.

Since its launch in 2005, ChildAid has been showcasing the best of local and regional young musical talents to raise funds for underprivileged children who are receiving assistance from STSPMF and BT BAF. STSPMF provides school children from low income families with pocket money to buy a meal during recess or to meet other school-related expenses while BT BAF fully funds two-year art training programmes for children and youth from financially disadvantaged families to pursue their artistic talents in music, dance, theatre and visual arts. The Funds have reached more than 160,000 and 15,000 children and youth respectively.

A cheque presentation ceremony of Citi's contribution was held at the event's gala dinner graced by Guest-of-Honour, Mr Baey Yam Keng, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth. He joined Paul McCarroll, Chief Information Officer, Head of Citi Technology Infrastructure, Citi Asia Pacific and Anand Selva, Head of Consumer Banking, Citi Asia Pacific to present a cheque to Marc Lim and Helmi Yusof, Co-Chairs of ChildAid 2017; Alvin Tay, Managing Editor of English/Malay/Tamil Media group, Singapore Press Holdings and Chairman of The Business Times Budding Artists Fund and Wong Wei Kong, Editor of The Business Times.

Mr Paul McCarroll, Head of Citi Technology Infrastructure and Chief Information Officer, Citi Asia Pacific, said, "We are pleased to sustain our support for ChildAid for the seventh consecutive year with the Citi IT and Partners Charity Golf. It adds to our overall

contributions made to STSPMF and BT BAF from various fundraising efforts across our banking franchise since 2002. We are grateful to have employees and IT partners who share the conviction that no child should be held back by a lack of finances. All children, despite different starting points in life, should have sufficient resources to perform well in school, pursue their interests and hone their potential in the arts.”

Mr Helmi Yusof, Co-Chair of ChildAid 2017, commented, "Citi Singapore has been a stalwart supporter of ChildAid from Day One, raising millions of dollars over the years for underprivileged children. Because of its longtime support, tens of thousands of children have been able to get to school daily, afford lunch and also opt for arts classes. I thank Citi for making a tremendous difference to the lives of these children and their families."

The Citi IT and Partners Charity Golf tournament, which was started in 2002, has been a highly successful annual fund raising event for the Citi’s IT division, raising over S\$5.4 million in the past 15 years for adopted charities. All of Citi's technology groups, including Citi Technology Infrastructure, Institutional Clients Group Technology and Global Consumer Group Technology, have been rallied to participate in the event to raise funds for ChildAid. Citi’s technology groups manage one of Citi's global technology hubs based in Singapore that provides technology support to Citi's operations around the world.

The charity golf tournament is also part of Citi Singapore’s support for SG Cares, a national movement to support the efforts of Singaporeans in building a more caring, compassionate and inclusive home for all.

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ChildAid

ChildAid is a youth charity concert organised by The Straits Times and The Business Times in Singapore since its launch in 2005. It showcases the best of local and regional young musical talents to raise funds for needy children served by two charities - The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund and The Business Times Budding Artists Fund.

The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund

The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund ("STSPMF") received its charity status in 2011 and has been an Institution of a Public Character (IPC) since January 2012. It is established as a trust and is governed by a board of trustees. It started as a community project initiated by The Straits Times that provides pocket money to children from low-income families to help them through school. Funds raised go towards school pocket

money disbursements and support of social and educational development of the children and youth. The money can be used to buy a meal during recess, pay for bus fares or to meet other schooling needs. The financial help also eases the burden of many low-income households.

The Business Times Budding Artists Fund

Initiated in 2004 and adopted by The Business Times in 2005, The Business Times Budding Artists Fund (BT BAF) originated from a conviction that no child with the strong interest and potential in the arts should be denied the opportunity to develop his or her talents due to a lack of financial resources. Since 2005, BT BAF has reached out to more than 15,000 financially-disadvantaged children and youth, between the ages of six to 19 years old, through a variety of programmes including a structured arts training programme, arts camps, workshops and signature events. BT BAF supports two arts training centres, The Little Arts Academy and 10 Square @ Orchard Central, and is managed by The RICE Company Limited. For more information, visit www.baf.sg.

SG Cares

SG Cares is a national movement dedicated to supporting Singaporeans' efforts in building a more caring and inclusive home for all. The movement invites Singaporeans to put values into action through active volunteerism, ground-up efforts and everyday acts of care. It also aims to build capability across various sectors and organisations so as to create conditions and grow opportunities for volunteerism. By inspiring and supporting one another, we can show the world that we are a nation with a big heart.

Find out more at www.SGCares.sg.

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