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*Sixth Annual Women of Hope (WOH) Fundraiser Luncheon
Raises over HK\$5.7 million for Hong Kong Adventist Hospital Fund (HKAHF)
to Benefit Underprivileged Cancer Patients*

Friday, 17 May 2019 (Hong Kong) – The Sixth Annual Women of Hope (WOH) Fundraiser Luncheon, held on Friday 17 May 2019 at the JW Marriott Hotel, was an resounding success, raising over HK\$5.7 million for those in need and around 400 guests in attendance. The WOH Award is the highest recognition presented by the Hong Kong Adventist Hospital Foundation (HKAHF), the charitable arm of the Hong Kong Adventist Hospital. All proceeds raised at the luncheon will go to the HKAHF's Cancer Fund, which provides invaluable treatment and screening to the underprivileged in Hong Kong. The WOH is a campaign created by the Hong Kong Adventist Hospital Foundation (HKAHF) to honour influential women in our community who have championed the call for social justice and to raise awareness of HKAHF's Cancer Fund.

The official sponsor of this year's event was Stefere Jewelry and official donors included, AstraZeneca and Sun Hung Kai & Co Foundation Limited. The event continues to grow with new media partners, *South China Morning Post*, *VOGUE HK*, and *Southside Magazine* joining long-term partner, *Hong Kong Tatler* in supporting the luncheon. At this year's event, guests had the opportunity to browse informative exhibits explaining the treatments that are made available to underprivileged patients by HKAHF's Cancer Fund and also hear the poignant stories of cancer survivors before making on-site pledges in support of the Cancer Fund. The generous donations from the day will provide PET/CT scans, MRIs, Tomotherapy and Mammogram & Breast Ultrasounds to those in Hong Kong who do not have the financial means and immediate access to care. All treatments are provided to individuals referred by Queen Mary and Tuen Mun Hospitals, the Hospital Authority and local women's NGOs.

In addition, guests, sponsors and event partners celebrated the achievements of eight inspirational women from different industries who were chosen to receive the awards by online public voting. This year's awards recipients by category are as follows:

WOH Awards 2019 – Award Categories and Winners

1) Art & Culture - Lynn Hsieh

Investment corporation chairperson and legendary Taiwanese actress, Lynn Hsieh, has been awarded numerous times for her superb acting, including the Asian Film Festival and twice the Golden Horse Award.

2) Champion for a Better Life - Regina Leung

Regina Leung is the wife of the Former Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Mr. CY Leung. Mrs. Leung is the President of The Hong Kong Girl Guides Association and honorary patrons of a few other charities

3) Children's Advocate - Jennifer Yu Cheng

Jennifer Yu Cheng is the co-founder of ARCH Education, an expert education institute based in Hong Kong. ARCH's mission is to bridge the education gap through delivering transformational programs, and providing expert education and admissions counselling, to equip students for their future goals.

4) Eco Warrior - Dr. Jill Robinson

Dr. Jill Robinson has been a pioneer of animal welfare in Asia since 1985 and is widely recognised as the world's leading expert on the cruel bear bile industry, having campaigned against it since 1993.

5) Entrepreneur - Dr. Eleanor Kwok

Dr. Eleanor Kwok is the Founder and Vice-chairman of Sa Sa International Holdings Limited. With over 40 years of extensive professional knowledge and experience in cosmetics retailing, Dr. Kwok pioneered the unique operational concept of open-shelf display of beauty products, making shopping a more enjoyable experience.

6) Global Champion - Aylin Suntay

Aylin Suntay is the Founder and Managing Partner of GAIA, which is a multi family office in asset management and advisory business with a focus on managing the complex requirement of high net worth families.

7) Health Advocate - Dr. Fok Mei Ling

Dr. Fok Mei Ling is the Founder & Chairman of a Hong Kong registered charity called Families of SMA Charitable Trust to "help in the relief of hardship and suffering of victims of SMA and their family members". She is also the Vice-President of the Society for the Relief of Disabled Children and a member of the Hospital Governing Committee of the Duchess of Kent Children's Hospital in Sandy Bay, Hong Kong.

8) Power & Influence - Daisy Ho

Daisy Ho is the Chairman and Executive Director of the Hong Kong-listed SJM Holdings Limited, the holding company of Sociedade de Jogos de Macau, S.A. - a leading operator, owner and developer of premier tourism, leisure entertainment and related businesses in Macau

Ms. Jo-Soo Tang, Chairman of Board of Governors HKAHF – Stubbs Road remarked, "In six short years, the WOH Awards has grown from a 60-person affair to a large-scale event attended by over 300 guests, raising a significant amount for charity. We are very grateful to our guests and event partners who recognize the importance of coming together to celebrate these remarkable women in our community and raise vital funds for the sick who need a helping hand."

About Women of Hope (WOH) Awards

The Women of Hope (WOH) Awards was established in 2014 by Hong Kong Adventist Hospital Foundation (HKAHF) to recognise Hong Kong's influential women who tirelessly champion the calls for justice to benefit women, children, and the greater community. HKAHF created WOH as a unique campaign to raise awareness of the foundation's Cancer Fund and its efforts to support underprivileged cancer patients in Hong Kong.

For more information, please visit <http://www.hkafh.org.hk/woh>

About Hong Kong Adventist Hospital Foundation (HKAHF)

Hong Kong Adventist Hospital Foundation (HKAHF) was established in 1999 with a mission to assist and support financially disadvantaged people in need of medical treatment in Hong Kong, China, and Asia. Through its individual funds including the Adventist Heart Fund, Cancer Fund, Children's Hearing Fund, Orthopedic Fund, Eye Fund, Medical Fund, Development Fund and Healthy Lifestyle Fund, HKAHF strives to positively impact the community and make life-changing differences in the lives of underprivileged children, adults, and the elderly.

For more information, please visit www.hkafh.org.hk

For WOH 2019 Fundraiser Luncheon event day pictures, please click the link below:

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