



## **“Wings of Hope” Gala Dinner Raising funds for HKBCF Jockey Club Breast Health Centre (Kowloon)**

(Press Release, 25 May 2017) “Wings of Hope” gala dinner, a fundraising event benefiting the Hong Kong Breast Cancer Foundation (HKBCF) was held on 13 May at Conrad Hong Kong. The event was organised and hosted by Mrs. Camey Wong, wife of Mr. Peter Wong, and was attended by more than 400 celebrities and community leaders including Chief Executive-Elect **Mrs. Carrie Lam** and her husband **Mr. Lam Siu-por**, wife of the Chief Executive of Hong Kong SAR **Mrs. Regina Leung**, **Mrs. Rita Fan**, **Mr. Canning Fok** and his wife **Eliza**, **Mr. Peter Wong** and his wife **Camey**, **Dr. Lo Ka Shui** and other famous icons from political and business sectors. They all joined to show support for the HKBCF’s work against breast cancer.

### **HKBCF’s Chairman Acknowledged Support for the New Centre in Kowloon**

**Mrs. Eliza Fok**, Chairman of HKBCF, remarked at her speech that she is grateful for the supports that help the HKBCF extend its service to Kowloon. She thanked the then Chief Secretary Mrs. Carrie Lam for finding a piece of land for the Kowloon service centre, and the HKBCF is so lucky that it received a grant from the Jockey Club Charities Trust for building the new centre and sponsorship of the project. The gala was meant to raise funds for the long-term operation of the new centre from people with a good heart.

### **Chief Executive-Elect Celebrated her 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday with her husband at the Gala**

The gala coincided with the 60<sup>th</sup> birthday of Chief Executive-Elect **Mrs. Carrie Lam**. Mrs. Lam is so supportive of the HKBCF that she chose to join the event together with her husband. In her speech, Mrs. Lam recognised the HKBCF’s endeavour over the years, and the difficulties faced by NGOs in their operation and development. In addition to appealing for donations in support of the HKBCF’s meaningful work, Mrs. Lam also shared her vision of promoting health and prevention of diseases, and bringing quality healthcare services, positive ageing and happy and healthy life to all.

### **Honorary Patron Mrs. Regina Leung & Honorary President Mrs Rita Fan Showed Support**

Among the VIP guests were Mrs. Regina Leung, wife of the Chief Executive of HKSAR, and Mrs. Rita Fan, Honorary President of HKBCF. Over the past 5 years, Mrs. Leung

has been supporting the HKBCF as Honorary Patron, promoting the good cause and helping HKBCF advancing its mission.

### **HKBCF Ambassador Ms. Agnes Chan Shared Experience in Fighting Breast Cancer**

Moreover, Ms. Agnes Chan, Ambassador of the HKBCF flew from Japan to join the event. She shared her personal experience as a breast cancer survivor and reminded people to care about breast health for their loved ones.

### **Fabulous Performances and Exciting Auction**

The auction session was one of the highlights of the night. Mr. Amigo Choi was invited to host the auction in which guests placed their bids excitingly to support charity. The delicated programme of fabulous performances added colour to the gala.

- Pianist **Ms. Monique Pong and her husband** presented the beautiful Chinese folk song “Butterfly Lovers” with flute and piano. The music went with an elegant display of floral and butterfly photographs taken by Ms. Loretta Chu, which features the bright and vibrant aspect of “Wings of Hope”, the theme of the gala.
- **Mr. Moses Cheng**, Chairman of the Independent Insurance Authority, **Mr. Victor Cha**, Deputy Chairman and Managing Director of HKR International, **Mr. Edward Cheng**, Non-Executive Director of the Securities and Futures Commission and **Mr. Anthony Chow**, Deputy Chairman of The Hong Kong Jockey Club formed a special vocal quartet “Il Devils group”, presenting a number of classical songs in a creative and vivid way. The audience was impressed by the unprecedented quartets.
- **Ms. Yao Jue**, famous violinist gave a world-class performance at the gala.

### **The Night Climaxed with Ms. Frances Yip’s Singing**

**Ms. Frances Yip**, a breast cancer survivor and veteran Hong Kong diva, returned from Australia to attend the gala. Greeted by applauses and cheers, Frances sang several touching oldies, including “Seal with the Kiss”, “Yesterday Once More”, “Moon represents My Heart”, and her signature song “Shanghai Beach”, which made all guests get carried away and sing along. The impressive performance and joyous interactions led the charity gala to a climax.

The programme packed with fabulous performances smelt the heart of everyone, and many of the guests were moved to give further support to the HKBCF.

*Proceeds of the event will be donated to the HKBCF in support of its new service centre in Ngau Chi Wan, the HKBCF Jockey Club Breast Health Centre (Kowloon), which is expected to come in service in the year. According to the statistics of Hong Kong Breast Cancer Registry, breast cancer patients living in the districts with a lower household income in Kowloon and the New Territories tend to have poorer breast health. In districts like Wong Tai Sin, Kwun Tong and New Territories North and Shams Shui Po, nearly 80% of the breast cancer patients had never had mammography screening, and 18% of them delayed their medical consultation and treatment that led to a higher rate of advanced-stage cases at diagnosis. The figures reflect a dire need for breast health education and breast cancer screening and HKBCF sees an urgency to expand its patient support service and breast screening service to Kowloon and New Territories. “*

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Photo 1:



*Photo caption 1: "Wings of Hope" gala dinner coincides with the birthday of Mrs. Carrie Lam, who attended the gala together with her husband. A toast was arranged to celebrate. (from left: Mrs Eliza Fok, Mr. Lam Siu-por, Mrs Carrie Lam, Founder of HKBCF Dr. Polly Cheung and Mrs. Camey Wong)*

Photo 2:



*Photo caption 2: Mrs. Carrie Lam recognised the contribution of HKBCF to the community and shared her vision on healthcare.*

Photo 3:



*Photo caption 3: Mrs. Eliza Fok presents a bunch of flowers to Mrs. Regina Leung to thank her continued support over the past 5 years as Honorary Patron.*

Photo 4:



*Photo caption 4: Mrs. Rita Fan, Honorary President of HKBCF (at the center) showed up to support.*



Photo 5:



Photo captioni 5: Mr. Agnes Chan, Ambassador of HKBCF flew from Japan to attend the event, and gave a sharing on her experience in fighting against breast cancer.

Photo 6:



Photo caption 6: The live auction hosted by Mr. Amigo Choi was part of the charity gala.

Photo 7:



Photo caption 7: (from right) Mr. Moses Cheng, Chairman of the Independent Insurance Authority (right), Mr. Victor Cha, Deputy Chairman and Managing Director of HKRI , Mr. Anthony Chow, Deputy Chairman of The Hong Kong Jockey Club, and Mr. Edward Cheng, Non-Executive Director of the Securities and Futures Commission gave a fabulous singing performance.

Photo 8:



Photo caption 8: Ms. Yao Jue, famous violinist gave a world-class performance at the gala.



Photo 9:



Photo caption 9: Ms. Frances Yip presented various English and Cantonese songs, including her signature song "Shanghai Beach, bring the gala to its climax.

Photo 10:



Guests were carried away by the beautiful song "Moon Represents My Heart" by Ms. Frances Yip, and many of them could not help singing along.



