

Media Release  
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### **Villa Cathay Care Home Society to name its West Pavilion “Lin Kok Pavilion” in Grateful Recognition of Tung Lin Kok Yuen, Canada Society's Support**

Villa Cathay Care Home Society proudly announces the naming of its West Pavilion as the “Lin Kok Pavilion” to express our heartfelt gratitude to Tung Lin Kok Yuen, Canada Society for its generous donation of \$1 million. It enables the Villa Cathay Care Home Society to develop transformative programs that elevate the care experience for its seniors, such as the Resident Experience Enhancement Program, which empowers the care team to embody the person-centered philosophy in every aspect of care. This approach honors residents' autonomy and personal choices, thereby elevating their care experiences at Villa Cathay. Moreover, a portion of this thoughtful gift will enable residents to have increased access to Social Workers and personalized Recreation Therapy, further ensuring a higher quality of life and overall well-being for all the residents at Villa Cathay Care Home.

Robert Y. C. Ho, Chairman of the Board at Tung Lin Kok Yuen, Canada Society, remarked, "For nearly three decades since my father, Robert H. N. Ho, founded the Tung Lin Kok Yuen, Canada Society, the Society has actively participated in various community initiatives, focusing on religious teachings, education, and healthcare. In 2021, we initiated a five-year donations program for Villa Cathay, aimed at supporting impactful care programs. We believe that the enhanced programs at Villa Cathay will provide comprehensive care for seniors' holistic well-being, aligning with our core values of compassion and gratitude."

Kuo Wong, Chair of the Board, Villa Cathay Care Home Society, states “Mr. Robert H.N. Ho and Tung Lin Kok Yuen, Canada Society’s generous donation exemplifies the profound impact the community can have on our seniors. Since Tung Lin Kok Yuen, Canada Society in 2021 committed to donate \$1M over 5 years, and confirmed their steadfast support to us, it has inspired our team to embrace and initiate a person-centered care program for our residents despite the challenges of the industry wide nursing shortage. Social Services and Recreation Therapy Programs are indispensable elements that cultivate a sense of well-being and purpose for our vulnerable seniors. We remain forever grateful to Tung Lin Kok Yuen, Canada Society for their visionary commitment and look forward to continuing working with them over the next three years and beyond, enabling Villa Cathay to offer the best possible care for our beloved seniors.”

#### **About Tung Lin Kok Yuen, Canada Society**

Tung Lin Kok Yuen, Canada Society was established in 1994 by Mr. Robert H. N. Ho, C.M., O.B.C., grandson of Lady Clara Ho Tung. Through its physical establishment in Vancouver and internet portals, Mr. Robert H. N. Ho realizes Lady Clara’s grand visions to promote Buddhist teachings globally. In addition to traditional religious rituals and assemblies, the Society also promotes the teachings and practices of Buddhist wisdom and values through various public lectures, programs, and community services, as well as other pioneering online initiatives. Tung Lin Kok Yuen, Canada

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Society and the Robert H. N. Ho family generously contribute to education, medical care, disaster relief and other philanthropy, which adhere to the Robert Ho Tung family's motto, "Before you can receive, you must learn how to give." Mr. Robert H. N. Ho becomes the Honorary Chairman and Mr. Robert Y. C. Ho succeeded as the Chairman in 2020. For more information, please visit our website: [www.tlkycs.ca](http://www.tlkycs.ca)

### **About Villa Cathay Care Home Society**

Incorporated in 1973, Villa Cathay Care Home Society is a non-profit organization and registered charity. It operates the Villa Cathay Care Home which specializes in the delivery of culturally sensitive long-term care for seniors with complex care needs. In 2017, the Society broke ground for the Villa Cathay Care Home Rejuvenation Project which was completed in November 2021. The new Villa Cathay Care Home offers single occupancy rooms with ensuites for all residents, promoting residents' privacy and a sense of autonomy. The Society strives to enhance its programs and services to elevate the residents' holistic wellness and quality of life. Currently, Villa Cathay is one of the largest long-term care homes in the Lower Mainland serving 173 vulnerable older adults who rely on round-the-clock professional care. For more info, visit: [www.villacathay.ca](http://www.villacathay.ca).

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