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## **Girl Guides Singapore Walkathon at Bishan Park II**

**Singapore, 19 June 2008** - The largest single gender Co-Curricular Activities Group (CCA), Girl Guides Singapore (GGS) will be organising its walkathon on 21 June 2008 (Saturday), at Bishan Park II. Involving over 4000 Brownies, Girl Guides and adult members ranging from age 8-80 years, the Walkathon is part of a series of fund-raising activities to make Girl Guiding accessible to more girls. Besides fund-raising, GGS aims to generate awareness and understanding of the Girl Guiding programme among potential members, stakeholders and the general public through this event. The Association also hopes to promote pro-family interactions through several fun, healthy and engaging activities that are suitable for everyone at the Walkathon.

This year, to embrace the use of technology and to keep our members continually engaged, GGS in partnership with Singapore Press Holdings, will also be organising a lucky-draw for our members. The lucky draw will be in the form of zap-codes to inform our members of their results. Winners will be presented each with a Sony Ericson mobile phone each. These zap-codes will be available along the route of the Walkathon.

Adopting the GGS' theme for 2008, "Discover your potential: every Guide a leader", this event also celebrates the achievements of past woman leaders that have made an impact on the world. A "Fun Dress" challenge is also organised where Fun Dress participants will dress up as past woman leaders who have created an impact on the society.

GGS' 5-point programme has complemented the school's formal education and helped nurture girls and young women into all-rounded, responsible citizens and leaders in their own fields. Members of the association have also participated in several community projects both locally and overseas including working with the Spastic Children's Association; partnering Girl Guides in Sri Lanka and Thailand in fund-raising and rehabilitation work for Tsunami victims; raising funds and packing survival kits for victims of the Pakistan earthquake; fund-raising and contributing necessities for the victims of the floods in Malaysia last year.

Since its humble beginnings in 1917 with a small company, the Association has grown from strength to strength with more than 10,000 registered members currently and has nurtured more than 200 thousand of girls and women over that last nine decades.

"GGS is proud of its tradition and its role in contributing to the nation by nurturing girls and young women into leaders and useful citizens. Many successful women in the political, business and artistic arenas have benefited greatly from the Girl Guide programme that aims to develop girls' potentials, build character and cultivate leadership skills. It is our vision to make Girl Guiding more accessible to all girls and women; to make 'Every Girl a Guide', so