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**TOYOTA DONATES HIACE TO
SINGAPORE ASSOCIATION FOR MENTAL HEALTH
TO HELP ENRICH LIVES IN SINGAPORE**

SINGAPORE, 4 May 2021 – After an official handover ceremony held at the Toyota Leng Kee Showroom, Borneo Motors Singapore (BMS), the authorized distributor for Toyota in Singapore today announced that it has donated a Toyota Hiace to the Singapore Association for Mental health (SAMH).

The donation of the vehicle aims to support SAMH in helping to uplift lives in Singapore, through enhancing their ability to reach out to the community.



TOYOTA ENRICHING LIVES IN SINGAPORE

“Through the donation of the Toyota Hiace, we aim to support SAMH in realizing their vision of promoting mental wellness for all through greater mobility. This is in line with Toyota’s vision of creating mobility for all, and representative of our commitment to enriching lives, developing people and contributing to the Singaporean society. With the new addition to SAMH’s fleet, we empower SAMH to reach out to more beneficiaries – youths, adults, and seniors in Singapore who may need access to mental health services and support.” says Ms. Jasmmine Wong, CEO of Inchcape Greater China and Singapore.

The donated vehicle will enable SAMH to provide support for persons in recovery and the community at large. Specifically, the vehicle will be used to:

- Provide a safe and timely mode of transport for beneficiaries attending the programmes and activities across SAMH centers.
- Enable beneficiaries to attend external events, engagements organized by SAMH or corporate partners, and appointments (i.e. medical appointments or job interviews) accompanied by SAMH staff.
- Increase awareness and outreach efforts in the community.

ENHANCING MOBILITY TO SUPPORT SINGAPOREANS

“At SAMH, we strongly believe that maintaining a good mental health is crucial to living a fulfilling and healthy life. However, not everyone is aware or is able to access mental health services. With the support of Borneo Motors Singapore, we can continue supporting our beneficiaries and actively reach out to Singaporeans by bringing our mental health services straight into the community.” says Ms. Ngo Lee Yian, Executive Director of Singapore Association for Mental Health.

Other than rehabilitation services, SAMH conducts community outreach and creative programmes to educate and provide support to Singaporeans:

- **SAMH Community Education & Engagement** – Aims to increase awareness about mental health issues to promote good mental well-being and reduce the social stigma surrounding mental illness. This is achieved through a concerted effort across various outreach platforms, such as talks, trainings and workshops.
- **SAMH Insight Center (Counselling Service)** – Counselling services began in 1981 for persons with psychiatric, psychological, and emotional needs, as well as their families. Counselling is conducted through face-to-face sessions and through our telephone helpline. This aims to provide clients with the opportunity to express their thoughts and feelings and receive support, while working to improve their situation.

- **SAMH Mobile Support Team** – The mobile support team aims to bring mental health services to the community. Beneficiaries include persons with mental health conditions and their caregivers, who are reached out to through home visits, and offered group work and individual intervention sessions.
- **SAMH Creative Services** – Delivers skill-based programmes steeped in the arts and sports to support the mental and emotional well-being for persons in recovery and the community at large.

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High-resolution images of the handover ceremony are available [here](#).

ABOUT BORNEO MOTORS SINGAPOE

Borneo Motors (Singapore) Pte Ltd is a subsidiary of Inchcape PLC (LSE: INCH), a leading global automotive distribution and retail group traded on the London Stock Exchange and has been Singapore's sole authorized distributor for Toyota for over 50 years.

ABOUT SINGAPORE ASSOCIATION FOR MENTAL HEALTH

Established in 1968, the Singapore Association for Mental Health (SAMH) is a non-profit and non-government social service agency that provides a comprehensive range of mental health services, which include rehabilitative, outreach and creative services, to the community in Singapore. SAMH aims to reintegrate persons with mental health issues back into society through community-based mental health programmes and services that provide rehabilitative care for these individuals, and support for their families and caregivers. With a vision to promote mental wellness for all, SAMH is committed to improve the lives of, and promote acceptance and respect for, persons with mental health issues and improve the mental resilience of the community. In 2018, SAMH celebrated its 50th anniversary where the Association pledged its commitment to step up efforts and address the growing challenge of mental health issues among the people, young and old. For more information, please visit: www.samhealth.org.sg

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