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## Speaker Seah Kian Peng Presents the AmCham CARES Awards at AmChamSG's 51<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting

The annual ceremony recognizes outstanding CSR practitioners in the AmCham Business Community as well as the election of the Chamber's Board of Governors



Speaker Seah Kian Peng delivering his keynote address









(Two images) Speaker Seah Kian Peng is joined by U.S. Ambassador to Singapore H.E. Jonathan Kaplan; AmCham SG CEO Dr. Hsien Hsien Lei; Mr. Sean Parish, Chair of the Social Impact Taskforce; and recipients of the AmCham CARES High Distinction Awards. See the list below.

**Singapore, April 19, 2024** - The American Chamber of Commerce in Singapore (AmChamSG) held its 51<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting (AGM) as well as the recognition of outstanding corporate social responsibility (CSR) practitioners, with Speaker of Parliament Mr. Seah Kian Peng this morning.

Attended by nearly 270 AmChamSG members and sponsors, the event saw a record 66 recipients for the AmCham Corporate and Societal Action: Recognition for Excellence in Singapore (CARES) awards and the participation of partners from the charity and non-profit sector.

Speaker Seah noted in his remarks, "I was particularly inspired to learn about the longstanding contributions of AmCham members to the Singapore Community, including initiatives such as the SG Cares Giving Week campaign. These endeavors exemplify the spirit of volunteerism and underscore our collective commitment to building a more caring and inclusive society. Through the tireless efforts of our volunteers, we showed the world that we are not only a small and efficient society, but also one with a big heart."

In congratulating the winners, the U.S. Ambassador to Singapore H.E. Jonathan Kaplan said, "We applaud AmCham Singapore's work to raise awareness of the important contributions American companies make to Singaporean society through the AmCham CARES program. This reflects the boardrooms and businesses and schools in the U.S. which are at the forefront of embracing the environmental, social, and governance movement."





AmCham CARES was launched in 2016 to mark the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Singapore and the United States. The program recognizes AmChamSG member companies that have demonstrated a strong understanding of the link between responsible business operations and positive societal impact, and that conduct business in a way that creates both long-term economic and social value for Singapore. It is a platform to benchmark and share best practices, as well as encourage member companies to step up their current CSR programs and assesses AmChamSG member CSR programs on four main factors – communications, measurement, strategy, and sustainability.

Noting the importance of the businesses undertaking CSR in the communities they live and work in, AmChamSG CEO Dr. Hsien-Hsien Lei said, "AmChamSG is committed to supporting member companies to thrive and grow alongside the communities they serve in, contributing to a more caring and inclusive society. We hope that today's recognition ceremony encourages more businesses to join us in fostering and deepening the goodwill shared between the U.S. business community and Singapore.

CSR not only benefits the local population but also strengthens the company's reputation, attracting talent and potential customers who value social responsibility, creating a win-win situation for all."

During the AmCham CARES recognition ceremony, Mr. Sean Parish, AmCham Governor and Chair of the Social Impact Taskforce, recognized the 66 AmChamSG members for their excellent CSR programs in 2023. AmChamSG also recognized the increased participation of SME members (representing 12% of all AmCham CARES applicants) which demonstrates a growing commitment to social responsibility across all business sizes.

AmCham CARES High Distinction Recipient, Xylem's Sylvie Ta Higgs, Director Marketing & Sustainability, Watermark Ambassador said, "At Xylem, we're not merely constructing a business; we're sowing the seeds of a vibrant community and sounding the alarm on the urgent need for water conservation. Our mission is about fostering a deep-rooted sense of responsibility towards our environment and future generations. We're committed to empowering our youth, channeling our resources, and expertise into the communities, and to leave a legacy of sustainability and stewardship."

The full list of AmCham CARES recipients is appended below.

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Hi	gh Distinction Award Recipients		
•	Adecco Personnel	•	Marunda Utama Engineering
•	Amgen Singapore Manufacturing	•	Meta
•	Citi Singapore	•	Micron Technology
•	Coco Veda Singapore	•	Moderna Biotech Singapore
•	Google Asia Pacific	•	Procter & Gamble
·	IBM Singapore	•	Standard Chartered Bank (Singapore)
·	Illumina Singapore	•	State Street Bank and Trust Company
•	Marina Bay Sands	•	Xylem
Di	stinction Award Recipients		
•	3M Singapore	•	HP Inc
•	Abbott	•	Johnson & Johnson
•	Allen & Gledhill LLP	•	JPMorgan Chase
•	American Association of Singapore	•	Junior Achievement (Singapore)
•	Baxter Healthcare	•	Kellanova
•	Becton Dickinson Holdings	•	Kemin Industries Asia
•	The Bank of New York Mellon, Singapore		
	Branch	•	KKR
•	Boeing Singapore	•	KLA
•	Catapult by CapitaLand	•	Manpower Group Singapore
•	Centre for Creative Leadership	•	Marsh McLennan
•	Chubb Insurance Singapore	•	Medtronic
•	Cognizant Technology Solutions	•	NielsenIQ
•	Corning Singapore Holdings	•	Oracle Corporation Singapore
•	Dentons Rodyk	•	Otis International Asia Pacific
•	Dow		PayPal Singapore
•	Edwards Lifesciences (Singapore)	•	PwC
•	FedEx Express Singapore	•	Roche Singapore
•	Fiserv	•	Salesforce
	FMC Corporation		Seagate Singapore International Headquarters
	Gensler		She Brilliance
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	Herbalife International Singapore	•	Singapore University of Social Sciences
	Hewlett Packard Enterprise Singapore		UPS Asia Group
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