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**QUOTE FROM ATTORNEY-GENERAL LUCIEN WONG
IN RESPONSE TO THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF
SECOND SOLICITOR-GENERAL MAVIS CHIONH S.C.
BEING APPOINTED JUDICIAL COMMISSIONER
OF THE HIGH COURT**

“A veteran in the public legal service sector, Mavis has contributed a decade to sterling service in the Attorney-General’s Chambers (AGC). Serving with great distinction, she was the Chief Prosecutor in the then-Economic Crimes and Governance Division in 2011, continuing the role when the division was re-designated the Financial and Technology Crime Division in 2014; and taking on the Chief Prosecutor position in the Criminal Justice Division in 2015. In 2016, Mavis assumed a key leadership position as the Third Solicitor-General and subsequently Second Solicitor-General in 2017.

2 Mavis was the lead prosecutor in some of the most high profile court cases in Singapore, including stewarding the prosecution of Kong Hee and others from City Harvest Church and securing their eventual convictions. The City Harvest Church case was one of the longest-running trials in Singapore’s legal history, spanning over 140 days. Her knowledge, stamina, and commitment to excellence; qualities which are *sine qua non* to being an outstanding public service officer, have served AGC and the public well.

3 Mavis was appointed Senior Counsel in 2015. In recognition of her hard work and contributions, Mavis was also awarded the Public Administration Medal (Gold) that year.

4 I have had the pleasure of working closely with Mavis since coming on board as the Attorney-General in 2017, and have had the privilege of observing first-hand, her dedication to public service and how she is

determined to build a solid foundation for the AGC so as to better prepare the organisation for challenges in the future. Mavis spearheaded and oversaw a number of transformational changes within AGC, including – organising the Criminal Justice Division into Specialist Groups, re-organising the Crime Registry, driving the implementation of the e-IP initiative, and establishing more effective prosecution guidelines.

5 We will miss Mavis in AGC, and all of us in Chambers congratulate and wish her the very best in her new appointment as Judicial Commissioner of the High Court.”

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