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Speech by the First Lady, Mrs. B.H. Sheares, at the Opening of the Home for the Aged Sick on Saturday, 6th November, 1971 at 4.30 p.m.

I am happy to be here with you this afternoon to officiate at this important occasion in the history of the Speicty, namely the opening of its Home for the Aged Sick.

For some years past the Society for the Aged Sick has remiered devoted services by bringing help and comfort to the less fortunate, the aged and chronically sick in Singapore who have not the means to look after themselves. Your Society has shown that, in achieving a botter and more satisfying way of life for the people of Singapore, the aged.

Tolk who are here in this Home have not been forcetten.

The Society needs generous contributions in cash and in kind and also the remonal services of voluntary workers in order to continue and expand its good work. We must, therefore, always be conscious of this need to help a worthy cause, whenever and wherever we can.

I urge the people of Singapore to give willing and generous support in terms of contribution of funds and services, so as to achieve the aims and ideals of the Society and to expand its work. I congratulate the President, the Executive Committee, the Matron, the Staff of the Home and all who have contributed in one way or another to the work of the Society for their achievement in establishing this attractive new Home.

It gives we great pleasure in declaring open the Home for the . Aged Sick.