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**SPEECH BY MR CHOR YEOK ENG, SENIOR PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY
(ENVIRONMENT) AND MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR BUKIT TIMAH CONSTITUENCY
AT SEH CHUAN HIGH SCHOOL ON 30 MARCH '79 AT 7.30 P.M. IN
CELEBRATION OF THE 11TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HOOVER PARK AND
NEIGHBOURHOOD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION**

This occasion marks the 11th anniversary of the formation of your Hoover Park and Neighbourhood Residents' Association. During these years, your association has fulfilled its duties effectively by meeting the residents' need to promote a peaceful and better living environment. In response to the government's appeal, your association has also successfully implemented the various activities in the estate to bring about greater understanding among the residents and a harmonious atmosphere in the community.

In our daily life, we need to depend on others for co-operation and mutual assistance to ensure our survival and the preservation of our present modernisation. If there is lack of organisations and facilities, not only that we cannot maintain our present standard of living, our achievements may gradually deteriorate and collapse. It is human nature to aim for the better. To ensure further progress in the fine performance of your association, it requires greater co-operation and enthusiastic support of all the residents.

The formation of residents' association or residents' consultative action committee, both in public and private housing estates, is fast becoming part of an essential organisation in our society. This is because all of us are living in a densely populated area where many of our daily problems such as the maintenance of law and order, needs combined effort to resolve them. There are also other minute problems which may affect the common interest of the residents' association as a whole. It is only through an effective organisation that such difficulties can be overcome. The residents' associations in housing estates, are therefore organised with these objectives to shoulder the function

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and responsibilities so as to improve the environment of the estate and enhance the level of living. On the occasion of this celebration, it is my hope that members of your association, for the interest of all the residents, should continue to contribute their valuable effort to foster and strengthen togetherness in the neighbourhood of Hoover Park housing estate.

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