

**WELCOME ADDRESS BY  
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LAUNCH OF FREE 2-YEAR FAMILY MEMBERSHIP  
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HOMETEAMNS TAMPINES**

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HomeTeamNS members

Families and friends,

1           A very good morning to all of you. Thank you for taking the time to join us at HomeTeamNS Tampines today. It is heart-warming to hear that you have enjoyed some of the activities we have specially arranged for you this morning.

2           Today is Mother's Day and I would like to take the opportunity to show our appreciation to the wives and mothers of our Home Team NSmen.

**NSmen's Families play an integral role in National Service**

3           From our history, we all have learnt that National Service (NS) is important to ensure that Singapore remains safe and secure. Today, NS has become part and parcel of life for every Singaporean Son and their families.

4           The contributions of NSmen are important. However, let us be reminded that National Service is actually a shared journey for the family unit. For the wives and mothers especially, who work behind-the-scenes in every

household to share the responsibilities and balance the duties to family and country.

5 It is no easy task but it has become a necessity - and every Singaporean woman has stepped up and juggled between multiple roles in the family that has enabled the men to answer the call of duty with a peace of mind.

### **Supporting the social and recreational needs of NSmen and their families**

6 Recognising the contributions of NSmen and their families, as well as taking care of needs, is something that HomeTeamNS has always held close to our hearts. We have introduced more family oriented perks and activities which NSmen and their families can enjoy. These include:

- Family bonding Activities such as Family Day 2018 in Universal Studios Singapore, Nature Treks, and Movie Screenings.
- Bi-monthly membership benefits called Amazing Treatz, that covers from dining, vacation, educational and lifestyle offerings.
- Family friendly facilities in HomeTeamNS such as T-Play, Clip 'n Climb, Laser Quest and more.

### **Launch of free 2-Year Family Membership**

7 Today, we will be taking it a step further by offering all wives and mothers of Home Team NSmen with a free 2-Year Family Membership and increasing our offerings to cover more women and family centric benefits. This is our way of saying thank you to these extraordinary women for serving the nation alongside our NSmen.

## **Closing**

8            In closing, I would like to welcome everyone to the HomeTeamNS Family! Take your time to discover the many privileges that comes with being a HomeTeamNS member. Before you leave, don't forget your new HomeTeamNS Family membership card and (Her)oes Care Package. We look forward to seeing you in our clubhouses and events.

9            To all mothers in the house – Happy Mother's Day !!

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