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Dear Residents,

The excitement is building up as the energy gets more intense! In a matter of days, the long-awaited Youth Olympic Games will be making history here in Singapore. Our stadiums and fields will be alive with the screams and cheers of nations, each rooting for their own, yet united in the spirit of the Olympics. Let us be a part of this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, and give our own athletes the support and energy they deserve.

No doubt, with an event of such a scale, it is impossible to confine the overwhelming energy to the stadiums. As hosts, we should be gracious to our guests, and extend our sportsmanship even out on the streets, giving way to the official YOG cars.

Talking about traffic, in recent weeks, I've received feedbacks on parking at private estates. Some residents have resorted to using refuse bins to reserve parking spaces outside their houses. As much as possible, I urge all of you to park your cars in your own porches. Curbside parking obstructs and impedes traffic flow; and poses a danger especially at the junctions. It is understandable if cars are parked there occasionally when friends come to visit, or for the loading/unloading of goods. But, we should not park there permanently in the interest of everyone's safety. I seek your understanding and co-operation so as to have harmonious neighbourhood.

Also, further down near Nee Soon South's Community Club, there were several near accidents at the zebra crossing. I advise pedestrians to make it a point to look both left and right, and cross only when the oncoming vehicles have stopped.

Meanwhile, I would like to invite you to come to the CC on 15th August to support our Blood Donation drive from 10am-4pm. Please do come down and help save someone's life!

From the looks of it, August is going to be an exciting month, and definitely one to remember especially with our celebrating the nation's 45th National Day.

I wish you all A Happy National Day and an eventful August!

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亲爱的居民们，

随着青年奥运会的逼近，紧张的情绪也随之变得更强烈。令人期待已久的青奥会将于新加坡隆重举行，这也将为新加坡的历史写下新的篇章。秉持着奥运精神，各国的支持者必定会在我们的体育场和操场上为自己的国家队加油打气。就让我们借着这千载难逢的机会，一同给予运动选手们支持与鼓励。

毋庸置疑的，以青奥运如此大规模的赛事，亢奋的情绪一定不只限于体育场内。身为东道主，我们应以亲切的态度迎接我们的贵宾并且把运动员的精神延伸至道路上，让路给奥运专车。

有关交通方面，根据私人住宅区居民的反映，有些居民会在自己屋外利用垃圾桶来预留停车位。我劝请大家尽可能把车子停在自己院子里的停车坪，在路边停车会阻碍交通，尤其是在路口的交界处停车更会构成危险。如果是亲友偶尔来拜访或是需要卸货，路边停车是可以理解的。为了大家的安全着想，我们不应该长期把车子停在路边。希望能得到大家的谅解与合作，让我们的邻里更为和谐。

此外，义顺南民众俱乐部附近的斑马线差一点发生了几起交通意外。我劝请所有行人在过马路时遵守交通规则，等到往来的车辆停下后才过马路。

区内将于八月十五日上午十时至下午四时主办捐血活动，希望大家能到民众俱乐部参与这项有意义的救人活动。

八月是一个令人兴奋和难忘的月份。我祝大家国庆日快乐，愿你们欢度有意义的八月份！

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