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RHB ISLAMIC AND TABUNG BAITULMAL SARAWAK TO IMPROVE LIVES OF 110 UNDERPRIVILEGED STUDENTS

Kuala Lumpur – RHB Islamic Bank Berhad ("RHB Islamic" or the "Bank") and Tabung Baitulmal Sarawak have further enhanced their partnership towards improving the lives of over 110 underprivileged students in Sarawak.

RHB Islamic presented RM500,000 to Tabung Baitulmal Sarawak through a wakaf collection from the public namely, Dana Wakaf Al-Bait. Amongst others, the fund will be utilised to equip Rumah Wakaf Habibah in Kuching and Akademi Tahfiz Hidayatul Quran Annur in Sibu with emergency exits that comply with fire and safety requirements, as well as in providing transportation for the students. Both of these buildings are built on wakaf lands with Tabung Baitulmal Sarawak as the sole trustee.

Dana Wakaf Al-Bait is a wakaf-based fund programme, under the Association of Islamic Banking and Financial Institution Malaysia's ("AIBIM") myWakaf initiative. MyWakaf is a collaboration between six Islamic banks under AIBIM, which includes RHB Islamic and State Islamic Religious Councils.

"We are thankful for this opportunity to partner Tabung Baitulmal Sarawak in upgrading safety features for the benefit of these underprivileged students. The safe and comfortable facilities would help create a more conducive environment for the students so that they can better

concentrate on their studies. In addition to these necessary upgrades, we will also provide them with a permanent vehicle to facilitate the students' daily commute to school.

Uplifting the lives of underprivileged communities in Sarawak is in line with the principles of Value-Based Intermediation ("VBI") adopted by RHB Islamic. Therefore, together with Tabung Baitulmal Sarawak, we look forward towards creating long-lasting positive impacts within the State," said Dato' Adissadikin Ali, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of RHB Islamic Bank Berhad.

During the event, RHB Islamic had also handed over corporate zakat payment amounting to RM400,000 to Tabung Baitulmal Sarawak. Dato' Adissadikin Ali represented RHB Islamic in handing over the corporate zakat contribution to Datu Haji Misnu Bin Haji Taha, Yang di Pertua Majlis Islam Sarawak, and witnessed by YAB Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari, Premier of Sarawak and Datu Haji Abang Mohd Shibli Bin Haji Abang Mohd Nailie, General Manager, Tabung Baitulmal Sarawak.

"We are pleased to partner with RHB Islamic in this meaningful initiative and continue to expand utilization of zakat contributions to benefit a larger segment of the society. As of 31 August 2022, we have distributed over RM50 million in zakat to designated Asnafs in Sarawak via Tabung Baitulmal Sarawak's main programmes namely, Program Mengukuhkan Tradisi Keilmuan, Program Membangunkan Institusi Islam, Program Memantapkan Kebajikan Ummah and Program Peningkatan Kemahiran Ummah," said Datu Haji Abang Mohd Shibli Bin Haji Abang Mohd Nailie, General Manager of Tabung Baitulmal Sarawak.