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## **Manulife Announces Olympic Games Pin Design Contest Winners** *“Bringing Dreams To Life” prizes presented to 10 customers for “phenomenal” display of creativity*

**Hong Kong** — The dreams of 10 customers of Manulife (International) Limited (MIL) were brought to life when their designs were selected out of some 60 submissions to symbolize the insurance giant’s support for the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games, for which it is an official Worldwide Life-Insurance Partner.

The 10 winners are Ko Lung Sang, Ivan (gold-award-winner); Au King Leong; Chan Mei Lee; Ko Sum Yuen; Lai Lap Yip, Joseph; Lee Lin Heung; Lee Pui Yuen, Vincie; Lit Lo Yee; Luk Ying Kit; and Yuen Wai Tung.

The gold-award-winning design, by Mr. Ko, will be fashioned into a pin and form part of a set of 10 with the best designs contributed by nine other Manulife Asian territories. The set will become a component of Manulife’s Olympic souvenir memorabilia.

Mr. Ko’s winning design was deemed to have most successfully combined the contest’s theme of “Bringing Dreams To Life” with emblems of Hong Kong’s distinctive culture and the Olympic spirit. It consists of five logos artfully placed beneath the five linked Olympic rings: these represent five Olympic sports — equestrianism, gymnastics, weight-lifting, athletics and water polo — each depicted in one of the five colours of the rings, the whole forming a traditional Chinese dragon as embodied by a boat competing in Hong Kong’s world-famous Dragonboat Races.

“I am thrilled to know that my design has won in the competition. It is certainly a dream come true for me to see the design I worked so hard to translate into reality become the pin that represents Hong Kong in this collector’s set,” he said. “I thought the Dragonboat Races, so typical of Hong Kong, were an ideal reflection of the Olympic values of peak physical fitness and teamwork.”

At a special prize-presentation ceremony held in Manulife Tower, Hong Kong, Mr. Ko was presented with a limited-edition 99.99% gold bar issued by the Beijing Organising Committee for the Games of the XXIX Olympiad, worth US\$1,300, by Michael Huddart, Executive Vice President and General Manager for Hong Kong, MIL. The nine silver awardees received gift bags of official Olympic merchandise worth US\$250 each, and all the winners will be given framed sets of the 10 gold-prize-winning pins.

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“At Manulife, we believe that everyone has dreams and it is part of our mission to bring them to life,” said Mr. Huddart. “Through this Olympic Games Pin Design Competition, the visions of our talented customers will be realised, which in turn will inspire thousands of others to live out their own dreams at this once-in-a-lifetime event that we are so proud to be a part of.”

“Confirming the Olympic credo that competition brings out the best in people, the standard of creativity exhibited in the Hong Kong section of this contest was phenomenal,” added Mr. Huddart. “We believe that a similar level will be reached in Manulife’s other Asian locations taking part, and our set of pins will be a true collector’s item — and a wonderful souvenir of these first-ever Beijing Games.”

The Manulife Hong Kong Olympic Games Pin Design Contest, which was launched late last year, was judged by a distinguished panel consisting of: Mr. Ko Lai Chak and Mr. Li Ching, Men’s Doubles Table Tennis Silver Medallists at the Athens 2004 Olympic Games; Mr. Pang Chung, Hon. Secretary General of the Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong; Mr. Yeung Yau Cheung, Committee Member of the Hong Kong Sports Press Association; and Mr. Michael Huddart.

The ten winning designs are now displayed at the Manulife office at Manulife Tower, North Point, Hong Kong and also uploaded onto the Company’s Hong Kong website at [www.manulife.com.hk](http://www.manulife.com.hk).

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Ten winners of Manulife's Olympic Games Pin Design Contest picture with Manulife's Executive Vice President and General Manager for Hong Kong Michael Huddart (first right) at the award presentation ceremony.