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Report those who urinate in public places

I REFER to the letter, "Underground stain on a cultural icon" (Feb 22).

While we ensure the cleanliness of the stretch of underpass connecting Citilink Mall to The Esplanade by routine deployment of cleaning staff, we seek the public's assistance to report misdeeds such as urinating in public places or defacing public property to the Land Transport Authority or the police.

As for those using the underpass as living space, we ask the Ministry of Community Development, Youth and Sports to step in to see how it may help these people.

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THE Restroom Association (Singapore) or RAS agrees that public urination must be stopped at the Esplanade underpass. The RAS believes

one way to address this complaint is to work with the Land Transport Authority (LTA) or the Esplanade management company to stop public urination in the area. After visiting the area, we would like to make some suggestions:

» **Clear, specific signs**

Clear signs should not only display directions to the nearest toilets, but also indicate the distance.

» **Build new public toilets**

If public toilets near the Esplanade underpass are not accessible round the clock, additional public toilets should be built to ensure accessibility at all times. A well-devised map for toilet locations will ease the time taken to locate toilets, and thus minimise the risk of public urination.

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