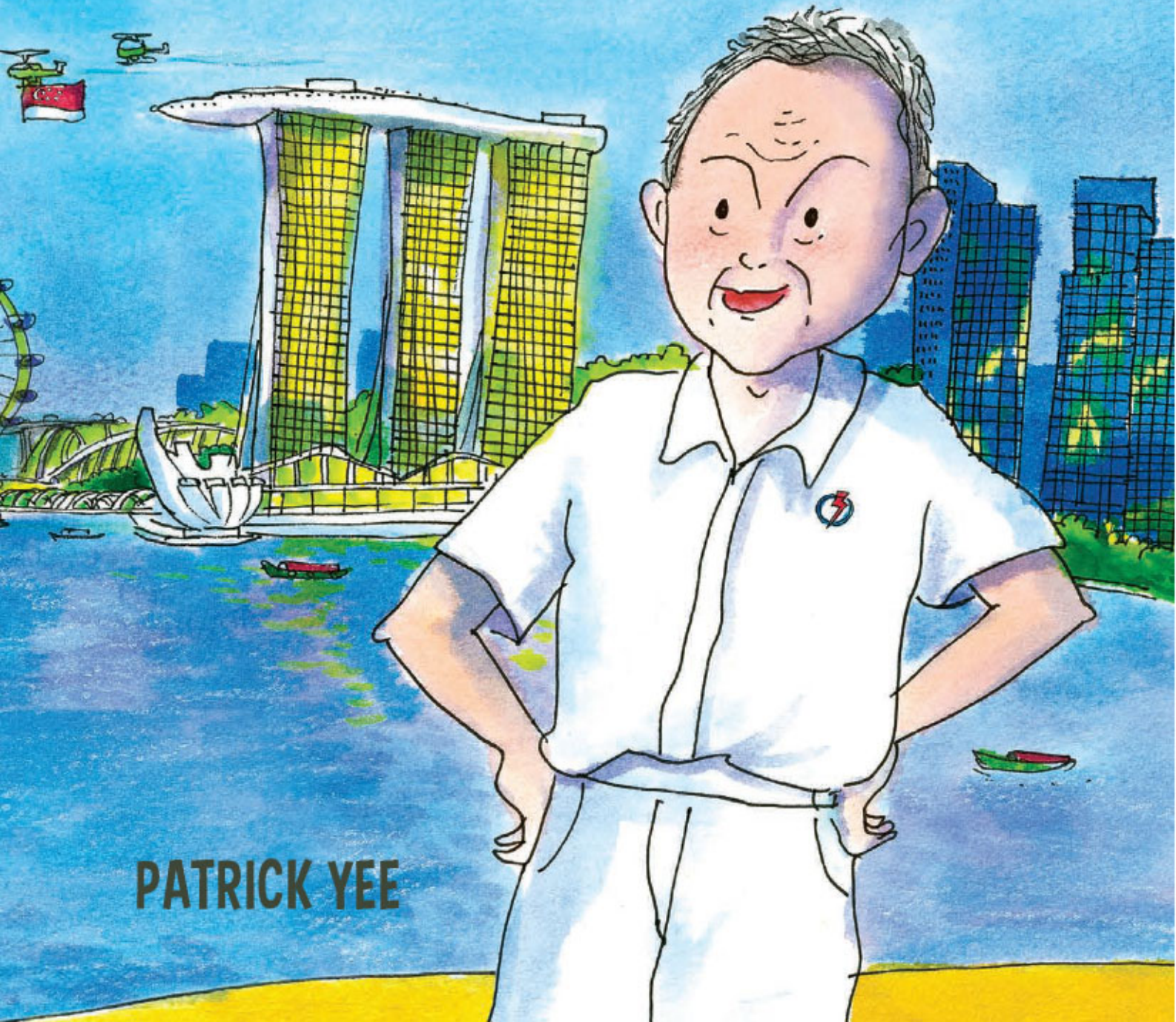


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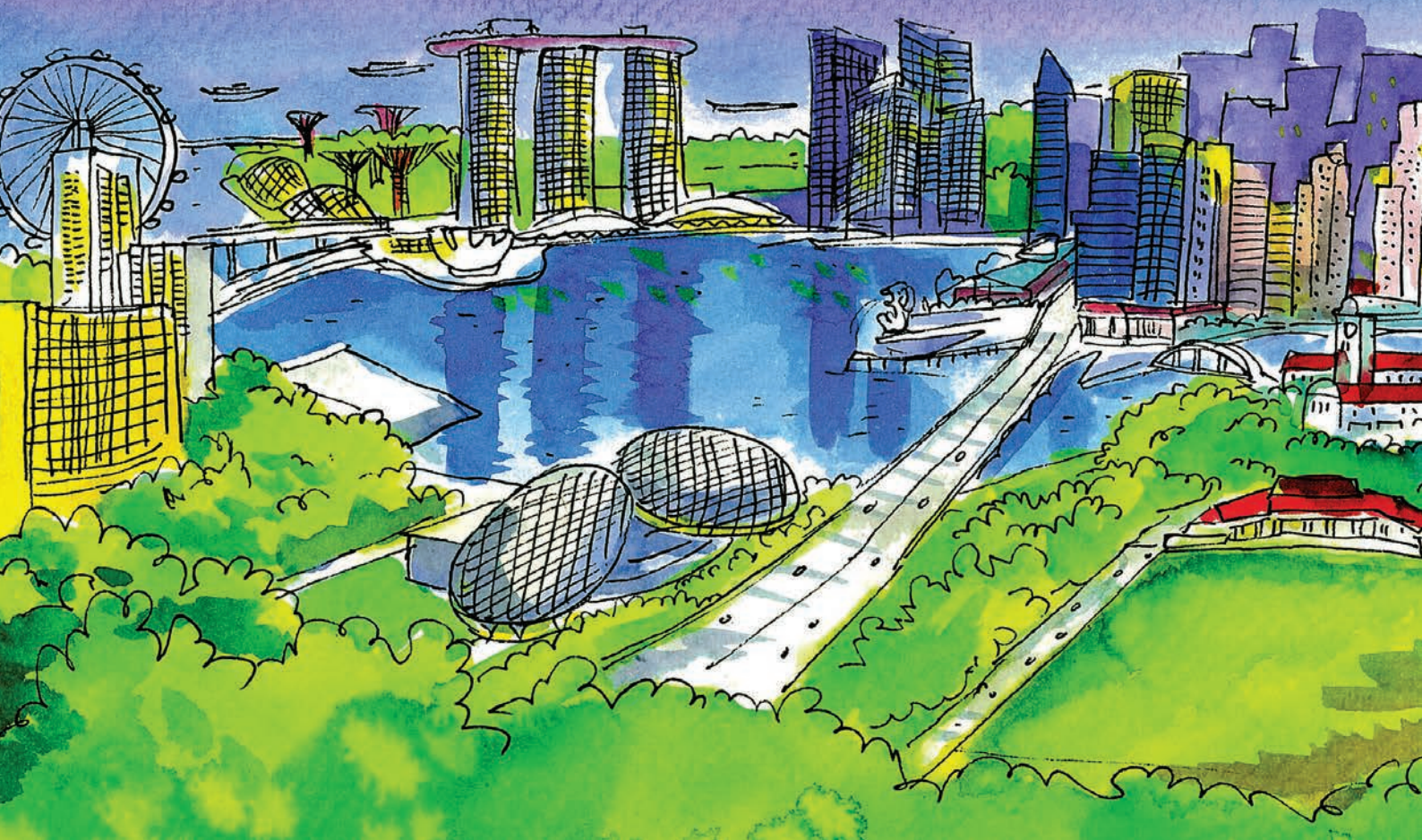
PATRICK YEE

TIMELINE

- 1923 Harry is born 16 September
- 1936 Enters Raffles Institution for secondary school
- 1939 Comes in first in his school for the Junior Cambridge exams
- 1940 Tops the Senior Cambridge exams for all students in Singapore and Malaya
Wins Anderson Scholarship to Raffles College
- 1942 Japanese occupation of Singapore begins 15 February
- 1943-1944 Works as English-language editor for Japanese information department
(the Hodobu)
- 1945 Japanese surrender, 15 August
- 1946 Harry resumes his studies, enrolls at London School of Economics
- 1947 Becomes a student at Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge
Secretly marries Kwa Geok Choo, December
- 1949 Harry and Geok Choo awarded first-class honours degrees in law
- 1950 Harry and Geok Choo pass bar exams, May
Harry and Geok Choo return to Singapore and officially marry, September
- 1954 People's Action Party founded
- 1955 Elected legislative assemblyman for Tanjong Pagar
Founds his own law firm, Lee & Lee, with Geok Choo and brother Dennis
- 1959 Sworn in as Prime Minister of Singapore
- 1963 Singapore joins Malaya, Sarawak and North Borneo (later renamed Sabah)
to form Malaysia
- 1965 Singapore separates from Malaysia
- 1990 Steps down as Prime Minister, becomes Senior Minister
- 2004 Becomes Minister Mentor
- 2011 Leaves the Cabinet after the General Election
- 2015 Passes away 23 March

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By this time, he was 31 years old and had publicly stopped using the name Harry and called himself Lee Kuan Yew.

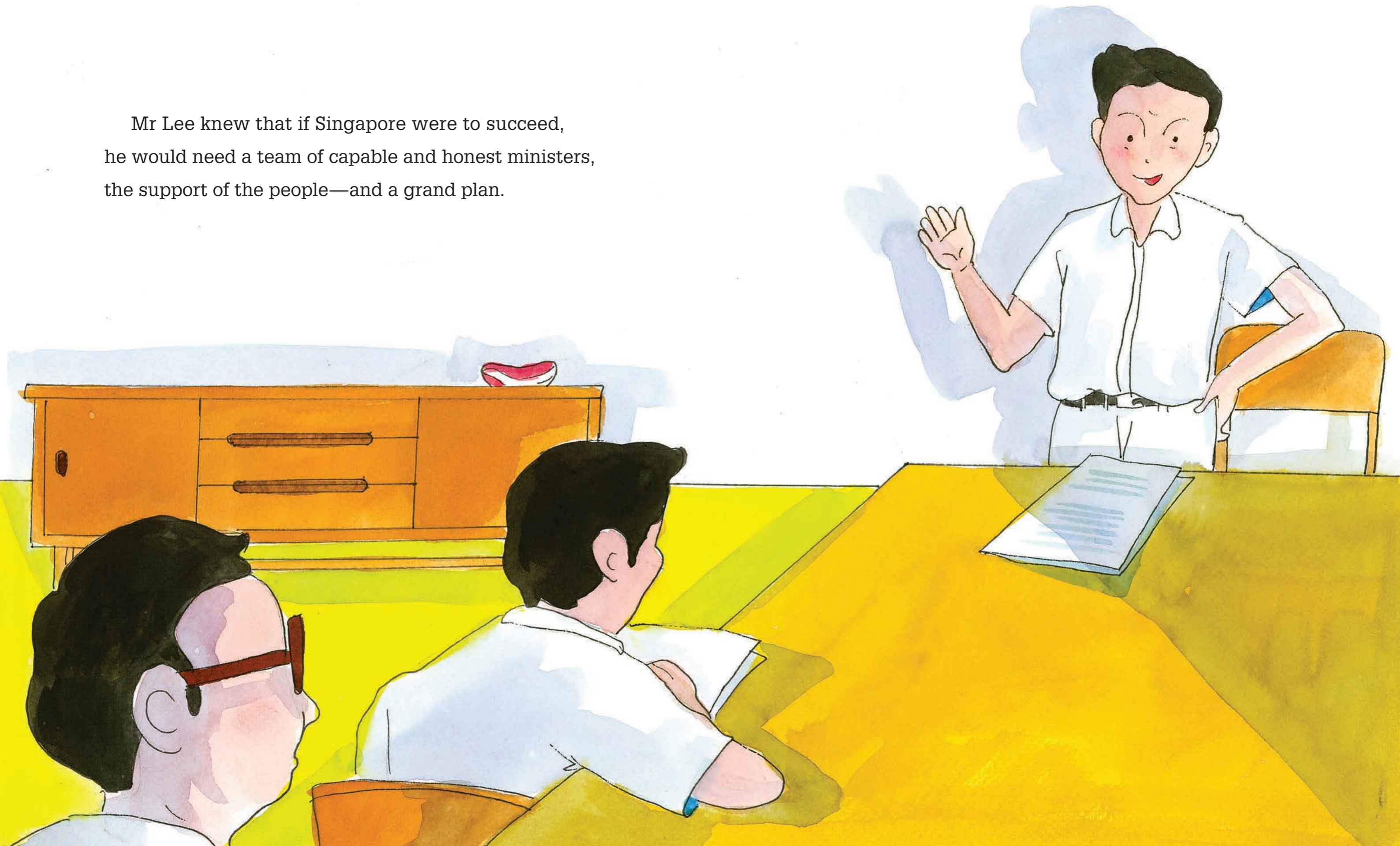


He had to fight for power against other political parties. And it took some years of discussions with the British but Mr Lee persevered.



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