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KUALA KEDAH, JAN. 31 (BERNAMA) -- PAS SUPPORTERS HAVE BEEN URGED TO PROVE THE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE ALLIANCE AND PAS BY SUPPORTING THE ALLIANCE CANDIDATE IN THE KUALA KEDAH PARLIAMENTARY BY-ELECTION.

THE CALL WAS MADE BY SENATOR DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMED AT A CAMPAIGN HERE LAST NIGHT IN SUPPORT OF THE ALLIANCE CANDIDATE, DATUK SENU ABDUL RAHMAN, WHO IS ALSO THE UMNO SECRETARY-GENERAL.

DATUK SENU IS OPPOSED BY AN INDEPENDENT, CIK SITI NOR INTI HAMID YUAH.

DR. MAHATHIR SAID THE FORMATION OF THE ALLIANCE-PAS COALITION PROVED THAT PAS'S STRUGGLES HAD BEEN SUCCESSFUL.

THE DESIRE OF PAS TO GOVERN THE COUNTRY HAD BEEN FULFILLED FOR BY PARTICIPATING IN THE COALITION GOVERNMENT, PAS HAD CERTAIN RIGHTS IN THE GOVERNMENT AND COULD HELP REALISE THE WISHES OF THE PEOPLE. --BERNAMA MORE 1550/MM

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IN VIEW OF THIS, DR. MAHATHIR SAID, PAS SUPPORTERS SHOULD PROVE THE ALLIANCE-PAS CO-OPERATION BY SUPPORTING THE ALLIANCE CANDIDATE.

HE SAID THERE WAS A GROUP WHO WISHED TO SEE DISUNITY AMONG THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTRY. THEY WERE WORRIED OVER THE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE ALLIANCE AND THE PAS WHICH HAD SUCCEEDED IN UNITING THE PEOPLE.

THE GROUP THEREFORE ATTEMPTED TO DISRUPT THIS UNITY BY PRESENTING A CANDIDATE WHO IS IN FACT THEIR *PAWN.*

DR. MAHATHIR SAID THE INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE OPPOSING DATUK SENU WAS *NOT THAT INDEPENDENT* AS SHE WOULD NOT HAVE CONTESTED THE BY-ELECTION HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR THE MORAL SUPPORT GIVEN BY THE DAP.

ABOUT 500 PEOPLE ATTENDED THE RALLY, HELD ABOUT SEVEN MILES FROM HERE.

OTHER SPEAKERS WERE SENATOR OTHMAN ABDULLAH, A STATE EXECUTIVE COUNCILLOR, DATUK SOON CHENG LEONG AND THE SECRETARY OF WANITA

UMNO MALAYSIA, CIK RAHMAN OSMAN. -- BERNAMA 1618/ZCM