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TANAH MERAH, MARCH 20 (BERNAMA) - PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SHOULD BE GIVEN THE TITLE "FATHER OF INTELLECTUAL DEVELOPMENT" FOR HIS WORK IN DIRECTING THE PEOPLE TO LOOK EAST.

THIS WAS STATED BY THE HEAD OF THE TANAH MERAH UMNO DIVISION, ENCIK HASHIM SAFIN, TODAY WHEN HE WAS ASKED TO COMMENT ON THE EMERGENCY RESOLUTION OF THE UMNO YOUTH OF HIS DIVISION, CALLING FOR THE TITLE TO BE BESTOWED ON THE PRIME MINISTER. THE RESOLUTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE TANAH MERAH UMNO YOUTH IN ITS GENERAL MEETING LAST FRIDAY.

ENCIK HASHIM, WHO IS ALSO THE POLITICAL SECRETARY OF THE KELANTAN MENTERI BESAR, SAID THE RESOLUTION WOULD BE TABLED AT THE UMNO YOUTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO BE HELD IN KUALA LUMPUR IN JULY.

HE SAID THAT THE RESOLUTION WOULD BE ACCEPTED BY DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AS A TRIBUTE TO THE DEEDS AND EFFORTS OF THE PRIME MINISTER IN GETTING THE PEOPLE TO LOOK EAST TO JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA WHERE THEIR PEOPLE WERE WELL KNOWN FOR THEIR HARDWORK AND WHOSE WAY OF LIFE WAS BETTER THAN THE WEST.

ENCIK HASHIM ADDED THAT HE WAS NO REASON WHY THE RESOLUTION COULD NOT BE ACCEPTED BY THE UMNO YOUTH IN THE COUNTRY AS THERE WAS NO BETTER TITLE AND TRIBUTE FOR THE PRIME MINISTER WHO HAD LED THE PEOPLE TO LOOK EAST AND TO INTRODUCE THE CONCEPT OF A CLEAN, EFFICIENT AND TRUSTWORTHY GOVERNMENT. -- BERNAMA 2037/00