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KUALA LUMPUR, NOV 17 (BERNAMA) -- PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD HAS EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE PRESENT GENERATION CAN LIVE BY THE EXAMPLE SET BY THE LATE TUN SIR H.S.LEE WHOM HE DESCRIBED AS A PATRIOT AND STATESMAN WHO DID THIS COUNTRY PROUD. TUN SIR LEE HAD WISDOM AND LEADERSHIP CAPABILITIES AS WELL AS WIDE EXPERIENCE AND HE ADAPTED WELL TO THE LOCAL POLITICAL AND SOCIO-CULTURAL SITUATION IN THE COURSE OF HIS LIFE WITH ITS MANY CHALLENGES, THE PRIME MINISTER SAID.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE MCA FOUNDER PRESIDENT ALWAYS HELD FIRM TO HIS PRINCIPLES WHICH WERE DYNAMIC IN ALL ASPECTS, HE SAID.

→THOUGH HE NO LONGER PLAYED THE MAIN ROLE IN THE MCA, HE WAS NOT EASILY DISAPPOINTED AND DID NOT CONDEMN OTHER LEADERS, LET ALONE THE GOVERNMENT, → DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID WHEN OPENING AN EXHIBITION OF PHOTOGRAPHS AND DOCUMENTS TRACING THE LIFE OF THE LATE TUN SIR H.S.LEE WHO WAS THE FIRST FINANCE MINISTER OF THE THEN FEDERATION OF MALAYA, AT THE NATIONAL MUSEUM HERE.

THE LATE TUN LEE CONTINUED TO BE ACTIVE IN SOCIAL AND WELFARE ACTIVITIES AND BROUGHT PROGRESS TO HIS WORLD OF BUSINESS, HE SAID --  
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→WE ARE PROUD OF HIS ATTITUDE, INTEGRITY AND HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS COUNTRY AND IT IS ONLY RIGHT THAT THE COUNTRY RECOGNISE HIM AS A PATRIOT AND STATESMAN, → DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID.

TUN LEE WAS BORN IN HONG KONG ON NOV 17, 1901, AND WHEN HE WAS 23-YEARS-OLD HE CAME TO MALAYA AND DIED HERE AT THE AGE OF 87 ON JUNE 22, THIS YEAR.

IN HONOUR OF HIS MEMORY, THE PRIME MINISTER NAMED ONE OF KUALA LUMPUR'S MAIN STREETS, JALAN BANDAR, AS JALAN TUN H.S.LEE, WITH EFFECT FROM TODAY.

→I HOPE EVERYONE WILL AGREE TO THIS NAME CHANGE. THIS IS THE BEST AND EFFECTIVE WAY TO REMEMBER HIM, → DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID.

ONE OF THE LATE TUN LEE'S SONS, DATUK DOUGLAS LEE SAID THE PRIME MINISTER'S ANNOUNCEMENT WAS A VERY PLEASANT SURPRISE TO THE FAMILY.  
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TAN SRI KHIR JOHARI, A CLOSE FRIEND OF THE LATE TUN H.S.LEE, SAID THE GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO NAME A STREET AFTER THE LATE MCA PRESIDENT HAS A GOOD WAY OF REMEMBERING HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COUNTRY.

DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE MUSEUM DEPARTMENT DATUK SHAHRUM YUS ALSO SPOKE AT THE FUNCTION.

CULTURE AND TOURISM MINISTRY PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY ABDUL RAHMAN SULIMAN PRESENTED VIDEO RECORDINGS OF INTERVIEWS WITH PEOPLE CLOSE TO THE LATE TUN H.S.LEE TO THE PRIME MINISTER AND TOH PUAN LADY LEE.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR WAS ALSO PRESENTED WITH A \$1 PRINTED IN 1959 AND BEARING THE SIGNATURE OF THE LATE TUN H.S.LEE.

IT WAS HANDED OVER TO THE PRIME MINISTER BY TUN LEE'S YOUNGEST SON, DEPUTY AGRICULTURE MINISTER DATUK ALEX LEE. -- BERNAMA  
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