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Be proud of our national leaders' resilience, says Chan

BUKIT MERTAJAM, Thurs. - Malaysians should be proud that the national leadership remained resilient despite countless attacks by "external forces" on the economy, MCA National Youth leader Datuk Chan Kong Choy said.

He said Malaysians should also be proud of themselves for standing steadfastly behind their Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and his deputy, Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim, in their effort to neutralise the attacks.

"We (Malaysians) are unique. In many countries, the leadership would give in easily to attempts to disrupt their political and economic stability.

"Our leaders fight back and we rally behind them instead of calling for their resignation, as in many countries," he said when launching the Motorcycling with TAR College Cultural Night in Berapit here last night.

Organised by the Penang MCA Youth, the event was aimed at raising RM1 million from the public for the proposed expansion of TAR College's main campus in Ulu Kelang, Selangor.

Chan, who is also Deputy Energy, Telecommunications and Posts Minister, said the Barisan Nasional's recent victory in the Kidurong State by-election in Sarawak, was proof of the people's support for Dr Mahathir and Anwar.

"As such, the Sungai Bakap voters should also support the BN to show their commitment to the national leaders to ensure continued prosperity and harmony in the country."

In the Sungai Bakap by-election, being held following the death of its State Assemblyman Ooi Theng Bok on Sept 23, Barisan Nasional candidate, Lai Chew Hock, 33, would face businessman Goh Kheng Huat from the DAP and independent candidates Abu Harith Ahmad and K. Ganesh.

Polling is on Nov 8.

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