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SELANGOR ASSEMBLY PASSES RESOLUTION SUPPORTING MAHATHIR

SHAH ALAM, Dec 1 (Bernama) -- The 48-seat Selangor state assembly today passed a resolution supporting Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's leadership and condemning the draft resolution by a group of US congressmen asking the Prime Minister to apologise for his so-called anti-Jewish remarks or resign.

Dr Mahathir had repeatedly clarified that he had been misinterpreted and that he was not anti-Jew.

The motion was passed despite a walk-out by three DAP assemblymen after Teng Chang Khim (DAP-Bukit Gasing) failed to convince the assembly to treat the two issues as two separate motions.

In tabling the motion, Menteri Besar Datuk Abu Hassan Omar said the assembly wanted its members to stand firm and united behind the leadership of Dr Mahathir in tackling the country's current woes, and in his abilities to turn Malaysia into a progressive, united, and sovereign nation.

Abu Hassan said the fall of the Berlin Wall signalled the emergence of one single superpower which was increasingly arrogant in world politics and economics.

He said it was absolutely untrue that Dr Mahathir was anti-Jew as he had a track record of upholding democracy and pluralism in the country.

"Dr Mahathir is a statesman internationally respected for upholding truth and justice, not just for Malaysia but for the world at large," he added.

Tan See Hang (BN-Rawang), K. Sivalingam (BN-Ijok) and Dr Pius Martin (BN-Bukit Lanjan) represented the state MCA, MIC and Gerakan respectively, in expressing their full confidence for Dr Mahathir's leadership and condemnation for the congressmen's action. -- BERNAMA

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