

Selangor Umno ⁴⁵ _{3 26 8 98} vows to back PM

SHAH ALAM: All 17 Umno divisions in Selangor will nominate Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad as president in the party elections next year.

Selangor Umno chief Datuk Abu Hassan Omar said the move was a show of confidence in the Prime Minister's leadership to steer the country out of the economic turmoil.

"The decision was reached at a committee meeting on Aug 17. Selangor Umno realises we need Dr Mahathir's experience, wisdom, leadership, and sincerity to overcome the turmoil.

"So strong is the support for Dr Mahathir that even if the elections are announced tomorrow, we are ready to capture the state for the Barisan Nasional," he said in welcoming Dr Mahathir and his wife Datin Seri Dr Hasmah Mohd Ali at the Menti Besar's official residence.

Later, branch and division leaders pledged their support for Dr Mahathir, reciting a prepared text.