

Chua: National unity our greatest strength

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PENANG: MCA vice-president Datuk Chua Jui Meng has called on Malaysians to stand united in defending the country against all forms of attacks, including against its currency.

He said the people must be resolute and stand behind Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad in overcoming the economic crisis.

"At this time, our greatest strength is national unity. Without it, the country and its economy

will collapse," he said after witnessing the construction of a giant Malaysian flag made up of 365,000 Lego blocks at Island Plaza, Tanjung Tokong, yesterday.

Also present were Penang MCA chairman Datuk Dr Sak Cheng Lum and Rotary Club of Penang's National Flag Lego project organising chairman Dr Manjit Singh.

Chua, who is the party's Trade and Industrial Development and SMIs Bu-

reau chairman, urged Malaysians not to be "fair-weather citizens or sunshine patriots."

"One year ago, our Prime Minister was the lone voice who spoke out against currency speculators and called on stringent international currency rules to be introduced.

"The analysis of this lone man from a little nation has since been understood by leaders of other countries," said Chua, who is also Health Minister.