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Motion in support of Dr M's leadership

PENANG, Tues. - Chief Minister Tan Sri Dr Koh Tsu Koon today tabled a motion of support for Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Tabling the motion, he urged the House to voice its full support for Dr Mahathir's leadership in overcoming the economic downturn and implementing the National Economic Recovery Plan.

He said Dr Mahathir must also be given full support in overcoming social and political challenges faced by the country so that peace and stability could be maintained.

The people should also rally behind the Prime Minister in his quest to establish a new, fairer and better regulated international financial system.

Koh urged the House to strongly protest any attempt to interfere in the country's domestic affairs by foreign superpowers or individuals who opposed the right of Malaysians to pick their own leader via a democratic process.

Meanwhile, Deputy Chief Minister Datuk Mohd Shariff Omar who spoke in support of the motion which was later passed, said no one could deny that much of the progress and change brought to the country had been during Dr Mahathir's tenure as Prime Minister.

He said it was in fact due to Dr Mahathir's visionary leadership and far-sightedness that the country had progressed so much.

Seberang Jaya Assemblyman Datuk Abdul Latiff Mirasa described the Prime Minister as a man who loved the rakyat and was "willing to lay down his life" for the country.

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