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ZAHID'S RESIGNATION A WISE MOVE, SAYS- GHAFAR

KOTA BAHARU, Oct 4 (Bernama) -- Former Deputy Prime Minister Tun Ghafar Baba described Datuk Ahmad Zahid Hamidi's resignation as Umno Youth chief last Friday as a wise move since that was a better option rather than being sacked upon losing the confidence and support of party members.

"Zahid's move was wise...that is the rule in politics, no need to wait for the decision of the majority," he told reporters after addressing a + Our Nation Our Responsibility + gathering at Persiaran Kada, here, last night.

Ghafar said he agreed with Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's statement that the next deputy prime minister need not be a very pious person as long as his deeds are acceptable by the people and "not the type who tries to show off his pioussness".

Ghafar, who is the Umno Veterans Club chairman, said he was willing to explain to anyone about the current economic and political problems in the country.

He would provide detailed explanation on what happened by providing evidence why such situation occurred, Ghafar said.

Ghafar also called on the people to close ranks and forget the issue of former Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim's sacking.

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