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PENYIAR TO LAUNCH PATRIOTIC ALBUM

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 25 (Bernama) -- The National Broadcasters Association (Penyiar) will organise a dinner cum launching of an album comprising patriotic songs dedicated to national leaders on Nov 8.

Penyiar president Mazlan Abdul Hamid said Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi would launch the 12-song album and Information Minister Tan Sri Khalil Yaakub the event's patron.

He said the "Balada Seorang Pejuang" was a contribution to national leaders, particularly Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, for their efforts in nation building.

Mazlan hoped the public and sponsors would not confuse the event with the "Majlis Setia Bersama Pemimpin" organised by the Information Department Staff Union.

"We are not part of the Information Ministry. Our event has received the consent of the Information Minister," he said here today.

Khalil's press secretary Zukri Valentino told reporters last week that the minister did not give his consent to be patron of the "Majlis Setia Bersama Pemimpin" scheduled for Dec 4.

Khalil also directed the union to stop using his name in collecting donations.

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