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PENANG STATE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS GRATEFUL TO BE REINSTATED

PENANG, Sept 13 (Bernama) -- MCA state assembly members Tan Cheng Liang and Lim Boo Chang today thanked the Barisan Nasional (BN) leadership for reinstating them and pledged to help the coalition win the next general election.

Tan (BN-Jawi) and Lim (BN-Datuk Keramat) said they were happy with the decision to lift their suspension because they could now resume their duties as elected representatives.

Prime Minister and BN chairman Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad announced the lifting of the suspension today after chairing the BN supreme council meeting.

They were suspended after they abstained from voting on a DAP motion objecting to the Penang outer ring road (Porr) project in the state assembly last November.

Tan said that the first thing that she would do was to get allocations to upgrade the drainage system, repair bridges and help in the project to build three more Chinese schools in her constituency.

She would meet the district officers to look into the development projects in her constituency after nine months' absence, she said when contacted here.

She also said that she was touched by the support from her constituents during her suspension although during that period she was unable to give any financial assistance due to lack of allocation.

"I'm very touched by their support and promise to continue to serve the people with more dedication and caution in future," she said.

She also promised to help strengthen the BN election machinery.

Meanwhile, Lim thanked the people for their support and pledged to work hard to ensure victory for the BN in the next general election.

"I will pitch in to ensure an outstanding success for the BN in Penang because it is the home state of our next prime minister," he said, referring to Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi who is from Kepala Batas.

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