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PM's most important legacy

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ON Friday, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will retire. In the past few days, there have been many reports, articles and dedications written to honour him.

It is overwhelming to see that the dedications, and expressions of appreciation, admiration and gratitude came from all walks of life, be it the younger or older generation.

This is probably the sum of all the successes of the Prime Minister as a leader. Dr Mahathir has managed to awaken the nation during his tenure as the Prime Minister.

No one can deny that the majority of Malaysians now have a sense of direction and are aware where they want to take the nation together.

Looking back, we may find that Vision 2020 is a simple idea and yet we know that if we did not have a leader to articulate that vision, many of us will still be without a common national goal today.

The Prime Minister went further than articulating the vision. He showed us that we can do a lot of things that many of us doubted we could.

Dr Mahathir has proven that it is not just a dream. Petronas Twin Towers, KLIA, Sepang F1 Circuit, Lima, Putrajaya, CyberJaya, Proton, Perodua, PLUS are just a few examples from a list of so many feats and projects that have materialised.

Malaysia has grown extremely well and we are still growing as a nation despite the challenges and obstacles that we are sure to face.

We have become a nation that is more dynamic, resilient and vibrant because of a single vision.

This vision and the success in creating a vibrant nation is probably the single most significant legacy of Dr Mahathir.

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