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You will always be our `ibu'

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Dear Datuk Seri,

AFTER Friday, you will "step down" as the First Lady - wife of the Prime Minister. Indeed, no. As you have told journalists recently, it will simply be because you have so much to do. There is much that you have to catch up with, not least with family and friends. We wish you well, Datuk Seri, and hope Dr Mahathir's post-retirement days will be happy ones. We know the first thing you will attend to is the packing of your belongings. As Malaysians say adieu to you as First Lady, we know some things will not change. You were there for many Malaysians striving to reach the peak. You lamented, a datuk seri, thank you for being there. We will always remember you as the stoic. It was so nice to hear you say that getting back to "ordinary life" was no big deal. Here's to better things to come! And may God bless you and your family.

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