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# Jalan Travers is now Jalan Rakyat

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**KUALA LUMPUR:** The 300m stretch of Jalan Travers has been renamed Jalan Rakyat, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak announced yesterday.

The change was announced in conjunction with the launch of Bank Rakyat's new headquarters, known as Bank Rakyat Twin Towers. The road fronts the towers.

Jalan Rakyat starts from the intersection of Jalan Tun Sambanthan and ends at the intersection of Jalan Bangsar and Jalan Travers.

Jalan Travers was named after Dr Ernest Aston Otho Travers, the state surgeon of Selangor in the 1890s.

He was known to bring reform in the care of leprosy patients in the country.

The new Bank Rakyat headquarters, built at a cost RM460 million, consists of two towers built over an area measuring 426,433 square feet (39,616sq m)

It functions as an integrated operation centre and houses facilities that can be used by the public including the Tun Razak Hall, an auditorium, surau, cafe and a food court.

Earlier, Najib unveiled a portrait of his father, former prime minister Tun Abdul Razak, at Bank Rakyat's main hall. The hall has been named after him.

"I would like to thank Bank Rakyat for naming the hall in my father's memory," he said.