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Essays in Honour of
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Tun Dr. Mahathir's inspirational leadership changed the face of Malaysia and no words can adequately express the nation's gratitude for his vision, his foresight and his exceptional achievements.

In the entire spectrum of Malaysia's national affairs - whether economic, political, administrative, educational, cultural or international - the indelible imprint of Tun Dr. Mahathir's towering personality is visible. The lives and struggles of all Malaysians were shaped immeasurably by the ideals that enriched his thoughts and the dreams he dreamed for the nation. It is no exaggeration to say that for many decades to come, Malaysia will remain an extended shadow of Tun's beneficent personality. Generations of Malaysians will be guided by the footprints he leaves on the sands of time.

The measure of his greatness was that he was always ahead of his time. His great mind was ready not only to take opportunities but to make them.

Tun inspired Malaysians to turn dares into doors and adversities into opportunities. He challenged them to believe in the impossible; to do things that many said cannot be done. He encouraged them to doubt their doubts but not their beliefs. He proved to the nation that no mountain was too high to climb, no ocean too deep to navigate. He was a true leader not only of Malaysia but also of the Muslim and the Third World.

Many of the essays in this volume are animated by the passionate ideals, beliefs and perspectives of Tun Dr. Mahathir bin Mohamad. In many ways he is the light that illuminates the ensuing pages.

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