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64th MERDEKA AND 58TH MALAYSIA DAY MESSAGE

Merdeka is here again and we see a need to ensure the 64th Merdeka is celebrated with a true sense of patriotism and in a new normal way. We all continue to stand together in solidarity and being proud today because each and every one of our forefathers had played a crucial role in harnessing the greatness of Malaysia till today. We also continue to fight the COVID-19 pandemic, which is still a threat to our beloved Nation, amidst the political instability, economic challenges and social stresses.

The Malaysian Consultative Council of Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Sikhism and Toaism (MCCBCHST) through this **MERDEKA and MALAYSIA DAY 2021 Message** calls for a greater understanding among the different races in Malaysia to build respect and trust and urge all Malaysians to put the country first before any personal or political interests and work towards greater unity for greater progress.

It is this Malaysian greatness that we have to cherish so that the fabric of this social and patriotic cohesion can be enhanced and not dampened or allowed to be hijacked by unscrupulous groups and individuals out to create unrest and disharmony. We need to amplify the voice of logic, reasoning and moderation and drown those which are illogical, extreme and fanatical. There is no room for extremism or racism in Malaysia. Only by national unity with spirit of love and patriotism can we strategize for growth and progress in the nation.

The MCCBCHST continues to strive towards bridging and connecting citizen towards inter-racial solidarity, mutual religious respect and acceptance so that the society at large, stands strong and tall to face various challenges and tests. We also continue in instilling in them the confidence that the country could achieve any ambition as long as there was unity, and bequeathing a prosperous and peaceful Malaysia to future generations.

Therefore, at this juncture, MCCBCHST urge the new government to govern the country professionally instead of emotionally, to take cognizance of the political decisions they make and to implement and up hold the Federal Constitution that they had promised on oath to fulfil. Let everything be done for the people with sincere commitment and harmony and enhancing all the various forces for the advancement of the nation. The leaders must create an environment that is conducive for all us to live peacefully, happily, with dignity and allow every citizen the space to fend for those under our care.

The continued slogan of this year's MERDEKA celebration **Malaysia Prihatin** says it all well that we care for each other and that is exactly what MCCBCHST hopes for and pray that Malaysia and its people will live in the spirit of brotherhood and continue lending a helping hand to those in need and make the nation a happy place to live now and for the future generations. Let us all give value and life to it.

SELAMAT MENYAMBUT HARI MERDEKA KE 64 DAN HARI MALAYSIA KE 58

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