



“APPRECIATING THE STRUGGLE OF NATION’S HEROES”

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: وَلَا تَحْسَبَنَّ الَّذِينَ قُتِلُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ أَمْوَاتًا بَلْ أحيَاءٌ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِمْ يُرْزَقُونَ 1

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَا مَعْبُودَ سِوَاهُ وَنَحْنُ لَهُ مُسْلِمُونَ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ، بَعَثَهُ بِالْهُدَى وَدِينِ الْحَقِّ، لِيُظْهِرَهُ عَلَى الدِّينِ كُلِّهِ وَلَوْ كَرِهَ الْكَافِرُونَ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ إِمَامِ الْمُتَّقِينَ، وَقَائِدِ الدُّعَاةِ الْمُجَاهِدِينَ، وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ وَمَنْ دَعَى بِدَعْوَتِهِ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ. قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَتَأَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ.

Dear blessed Muslims,

Let us altogether strive to have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. Indeed, the noble ones in the sight of Allah are those having utmost *taqwa* unto Him. By living a life that is purely based on *taqwa*, may our lives in this world always remain sheltered with prosperity.

The title of the *khutbah* today is “**APPRECIATING THE STRUGGLE OF NATION’S HEROES.**”

Dear blessed audience,

Hari Pahlawan (Warrior’s Day) is a special day to commemorate the services and sacrifices of our warriors whom had tremendously sacrificed for the country and homeland. This is a symbol of appreciation by all citizens for the valor of our heroes, in preserving peace and prosperity of our nation. Without the bravery of our warriors whom were willing to risk their body and soul, we will not be able to enjoy the peace and prosperity existing today. Truthfully, a warrior is not produced in a blink of an eye. Definitely it is nurtured from cognizance and conviction, as well as courage in wading through all sorts of challenges. A warrior is to be faced with various forms of challenges, not just external but also ones that can stifle the soul and dignity of every warrior. A warrior that is sincere in his struggle especially in upholding the religion of Islam, in the sight of Allah they are still living and earning continuous rewards. This is our very conviction, as it was expounded through the words of Allah recited earlier in the *khutbah*, which means:

“And never think of those who have been killed in the cause of Allah as dead. Rather, they are alive with their Lord, receiving provision.”

¹ Aal-‘Imraan 3:169.



Such is the loftiness of dignity of a warrior bestowed by Allah upon them for their sacrifices and struggle in uplifting the dignity of Islam. Though the struggle undertaken may only last for one second on the basis of the religion, it will be rewarded by Allah with the reward equivalent to this world and everything within it. This was explained in the *hadeeth* of Sahl ibn Sa'd as-Saa'idi *radiallahu 'anh*, where Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

رِبَاطُ يَوْمٍ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ خَيْرٌ مِنَ الدُّنْيَا وَمَا عَلَيْهَا

"Guarding the frontier for a day in Allah's Cause is better than the world and whatever is on its surface..."

(*al-Bukhaari*)

Dear blessed Muslims,

The bounty of peacefulness enjoyed today will not be easily attained without the struggle and sacrifices of our heroes. If we traverse through the history of the struggles in defending our nation's sovereignty, we find that it was a struggle that can never be repaid with money and currency. Such is the precious value of the sacrifices of our past heroes, whom were instilled with unwavering spirit and soul in maintaining the security for the nation and the people.

Therefore, in addition to the favor of peacefulness, as citizens we should never forget to altogether defend the sovereignty of the nation. We must always remain prepared to protect the bounty of peace from being threatened by any elements that can jeopardize it. Attitudes such as being provocative, insulting religious heroes and warriors, as well as introducing perverted elements into the country must be out rightly rejected, for it will serve as the source of destruction within the nation. The Malay adage "***umpama kacang lupakan kulit***" (meaning: forgetting one's own roots) should be thoroughly understood and internalized for it is unbecoming for each and every one of us to forget the services and sacrifices of the nation's past heroes.

Since Islam was first revealed through Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم, it is no small number when it comes to Muslim warriors and heroes whom were willing to sacrifice their lives in defending the sanctity of this beloved religion. They would honorably place the interest of the religion far above everything else including their own self-interest, for the sake of upholding the religion of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Glorious names such as Sayyiduna Hamzah, Mus'ab bin Umayr, Abu 'Ubaydah ibn al-Jarraah, Khaalid bin al-Waleed, Sa'ad ibn Abi Waqqaas, Ja'far bin Abi Taalib, and many more. They were true warriors and heroes in defending the purity of Islam, ever willing to sacrifice for the sake of Islam.

Great warriors are those who firmly cling upon the teachings of Islam in fighting for the truth, just like those excellent Muslim warriors during the glorious era of Islam. Similarly with our local heroes, comprised with notable religious scholars, the likes of 'Abd Rahman Limbong, Tok Janggut, and Mat Kilau. Moreover, many were martyred while sacrificing their body and soul for the sake of Islam. In addition, many heroes were also



martyred while their names remain unknown. May Allah shower their souls with continuous reward.

What is more important today is that every fighter and warrior of this homeland should cling fast to the guidance of the *sunnah* of our Rasool ﷺ, so as to attain the pleasure of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. This is the price to be paid in earning the Paradise of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 111 of soorah at-Tawbah:

"Indeed, Allah has purchased from the believers their lives and their properties [in exchange] for that they will have Paradise. They fight in the cause of Allah, so they kill and are killed. [It is] a true promise [binding] upon Him in the Torah and the Gospel and the Qur'an. And who is truer to his covenant than Allah? So rejoice in your transaction which you have contracted. And it is that which is the great attainment."

Respected Muslims,

The warrior's struggle in maintaining peace is truly sacred. Therefore, the fighting spirit of past generations must be instilled within the souls of today's generation. Our youth must be nurtured to rise in continuing the struggle, and at the same time remain appreciative of the contributions by the previous generations. There are some within our society that have truly forgotten upon the services of our previous heroes, and they do not even comprehend the contributions of past generations. Therefore, the youth generation of today must be educated in understanding the history of the struggles, the contributions of past warriors and its fruits of labor that are enjoyed today.

It must be remembered that the struggle of the warriors today is not only confined to its ability of engaging in a war. However, what is obligatory to be instilled is the very spirit of sacrifice, self-courage, and the know how in facing contemporary challenges. Therefore, appreciating the contributions of past heroes is a significant effort in developing a society that is cognizant and responsible in bracing through what the future holds. Without such awareness, our generation will be unable to face the upcoming challenges.

Indeed, within the framework of the great struggle in reviving the strength of Islam so as to attain the *rahmah* (mercy) and love of Allah, it behooves the true warriors to always have their souls close to Allah. This is as mentioned in verse 218 of soorah al-Baqarah:

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَالَّذِينَ هَاجَرُوا وَجَاهَدُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ أُولَٰئِكَ يَرْجُونَ رَحْمَتَ اللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ غَفُورٌ رَّحِيمٌ

"Indeed, those who have believed and those who have emigrated and fought in the cause of Allah - those expect the mercy of Allah. And Allah is Forgiving and Merciful."



Blessed audience,

The love and affection for our warriors are not merely evaluated based upon physical looks and physiques alone, but it is sincerely from one's own intuition in admiring and appreciating the sacrifices and services rendered. It is generally known that the peace and prosperity enjoyed today is due to the past generations' efforts. If they did not sacrifice their time, wealth, and lives, definitely security and tranquility will not be experienced today. Hence, let us remain grateful as citizens that have been bestowed with warriors whom are always willing to contribute to the peace and wellbeing of the nation.

As citizens of this sovereign nation, it is only right for us to take lessons and exert our best in knowing our warriors and heroes of today, whom are fighting for the wellbeing of the nation. In today's era of advancement, the challenges faced are definitely different as compared to the past. However, what is important is that the very efforts in increasing awareness and maintaining peace, and togetherness in fighting for the wellbeing of the people and nation, so as to glorify the symbols of Islam in this beloved nation.

Dear beloved audience,

To end the *khutbah* today, let us altogether internalize and derive lessons from what had been conveyed. Among them:

1. It is *waajib* (obligatory) upon the Muslim *ummah* to have certainty that defending the religion and nation is an obligation according to the *shara'*.
2. The Muslim *ummah* must appreciate the services and sacrifices of past warriors by exerting efforts unto becoming citizens that are upright, having integrity, trustworthy, and responsible for the sake of peace and harmony.
3. The Muslim *ummah* must always supplicate so that the struggles of past warriors will be accepted by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* with continuous rewards.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
مَنْ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ رِجَالٌ صَدَقُوا مَا عَاهَدُوا اللَّهَ عَلَيْهِ فَمِنْهُمْ مَّنْ قَضَىٰ نَحْبَهُ وَمِنْهُمْ مَّنْ
يَنْتَظِرُ وَمَا بَدَّلُوا تَبْدِيلًا ﴿٣٣﴾

"Among the believers are men true to what they promised Allah. Among them is he who has fulfilled his vow [to the death], and among them is he who awaits [his chance]. And they did not alter [the terms of their commitment] by any alteration."

(al-Ahzaab 33:23)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ
وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلْ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ.



أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ،
فَأَسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.



THE SECOND KHUTBAH

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي جَعَلَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَرَزَقَنَا مِنَ الطَّيِّبَاتِ. أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ ۖ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

وَقَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى : إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا.

"Indeed, Allah confers blessing upon the Prophet, and His angels [ask Him to do so]. O you who have believed, ask [Allah to confer] blessing upon him and ask [Allah to grant him] peace."

(al-Ahzaab 33:56)

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَارْضَ اللَّهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَزْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ اعِزَّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَهْلِكَ الْكُفْرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَدَمَّرْ أَعْدَاءَكَ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ. وَانصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطِينِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ ابْنِ الْمَرْحُومِ سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عَبْدِ الْعَزِيزِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعُونَ وَالْهَدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ،



وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيَّ عَهْدٍ سَلَاطُور، تَغْكُو أَمِيرِ شَاهِ ابْنِ السُّلْطَانِ شَرْفُ
الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ
وَالإِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحِيْنَ لِلْمَوْظُفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا
لِطَّرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرِّشَادِ.

O Allah, You are the Lord that is All Mighty, we are grateful to You for having bestowed *rahmah* and *barakah* upon this state, which continues to remain advanced and prosperous, with its residents united under the auspices and leadership of our Ruler as the Head of Islamic affairs in this state.

Hence, we sincerely beseech You, O Allah, strengthen our *imaan* and creed according to that of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jama'ah*, and protect us from teachings that are outside the fold of Islam such as *Qadiyaani* and deviant teachings such as *Shee'ah*. O Allah, *Ya Rahmaan*, *Ya Raheem*, unite our hearts, bestow upon us *rizq* with blessings, enrich us with beneficial knowledge, protect us from calamities. O Allah, bestow upon us guidance in performing the five daily prayers in congregation, fulfilling *zakaat* through *Lembaga Zakat Selangor* (Selangor *Zakaat* Board), making *waqf* and *infaaq* of our wealth to *Perbadanan Wakaf Negeri Selangor* (Selangor *Waqf* Corporation) and *Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor* (Islamic Development Trust Fund of Selangor).

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّاتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا آتِنَا فِي
الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ.
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايِ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ
وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿١٠١﴾
فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُواهُ عَلَىٰ نِعْمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ
يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.

