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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُوا الرَّسُولَ
وَأُولِي الْأَمْرِ مِنْكُمْ فَإِن تَنَزَعْتُمْ فِي شَيْءٍ فَرُدُّوهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَالرَّسُولِ
إِن كُنْتُمْ تُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ ذَلِكَ خَيْرٌ وَأَحْسَنُ تَأْوِيلًا ﴿٥٩﴾

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أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ
وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى ءَالِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ
أَجْمَعِينَ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ! اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ! أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ
فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ ۖ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ
إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ ﴿١٠٢﴾²

Dear blessed Muslims,

I remind myself and dear respected congregation to altogether strive in empowering our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* with the truest of *taqwa* by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we all attain success in this world and the Hereafter.

¹ an-Nisaa' 4:59.

² Aal 'Imraan 3:102.



In conjunction with the 76th Birthday of His Royal Highness the Sultan of Selangor on the 11th of December 2021, let us ponder upon the *khutbah* that is to be delivered titled **“A JUST AND WISE SULTAN IS YEARNED BY THE PEOPLE.”**

Dear esteemed Friday congregation,

His Majesty the Sultan of Selangor’s Birthday marks the official birthday celebration for His Royal Highness the Sultan of Selangor that is commemorated by every walks of society as a sign of gratitude for the existence of the Palace institution in the state of Selangor as an important institution serving as the pillar of sovereignty for the state of Selangor and all of its residents. Obedience to the reigning Sultan is the very foundation to the establishment and survival of the Malay Islamic civilization and racial and religious diversity in this region. That is the case in the state of Selangor. The rule of the Malay Sultanate proved to be the foundation for the growth and development of the Malay Islamic civilization for so long. The Monarch institution cannot be separated from the Malay community for the Sultan and the citizens are in need of each other. Such concept and practice are in line with the country of Malaysia as a sovereign nation, practicing the parliamentary democratic system and constitutional monarchy based on the Rukun Negara (National Principles) concept, which espouses Loyalty to the King and Country.

Dear blessed Muslims,

His Royal Majesty the Sultan is the administrator and the Head of Islam whom inherits the trust that was shouldered by the *Anbiyaa’* (Prophets) and *Rasool* (Messengers) in preserving the sanctity of the religion of Islam. As believers (*mu’mineen*), it becomes *waajib* (obligatory) upon us to obey the Sultan, King, or *Khaleefah* whom are known as *Ulii Amri* (those in authority). This firm assertion was recorded by Allah



Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala in verse 59 of soorah an-Nisaa' that was recited at the beginning of this sermon, which means:

“O you who have believed, obey Allah and obey the Messenger and those in authority among you (Ulil Amri).”

Obedience to *Ulil Amri* is deemed to ensure the wellbeing of the society and nation unto becoming *Baldatun Tayyibatun wa Rabbun Ghafoor* (a good land and attaining Allah's Forgiveness). The emphasis upon adherence to the Sultan, King, and *Ulil Amri* was also mentioned by Rasulullah ﷺ. He called for obedience to the leader that prioritizes stability, harmony, and welfare of his people. In the *hadeeth* of Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, Rasulullah ﷺ said:

وَمَنْ يُطِيعِ الْأَمِيرَ فَقَدْ أَطَاعَنِي، وَمَنْ يَعْصِ الْأَمِيرَ فَقَدْ
عَصَانِي

“Whosoever obeys the Ameer (leader) has obeyed me, and he who disobeys the Ameer has disobeyed me.”

(al-Bukhaari)

As the leader of the Muslim *ummah*, Rasulullah ﷺ placed great importance on justice and being just in every dimension of life. Clearly, leadership is not just the contract between the leader and the society but it is a covenant between the leader and Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, and as a leader, he must always prioritize upon justice when fulfilling his duties. While, in the aspect of obedience and allegiance to the leader, we can see that the Companions of the Prophet ﷺ were very loyal and obedient to the Prophet ﷺ. Their strict adherence became the key and *asbab* (means) for the path to Allah's Paradise, without heedlessness and negligence, in fulfilling the commands and leaving out the prohibitions of Allah



Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. Among the characteristics of leadership excellence of Rasulullah ﷺ as the head of society and state is that he would always call towards doing good, sparing his time, delving into emotions and share his feelings, finding time, and consistently educating the Companions regarding the knowledge of this world and the Hereafter. As a leader, Rasulullah ﷺ strived to internalize the predicament of those facing difficulties, aiding them to his level best and fulfilling the need of the people. This was the natural trait or *fitrah* that was bestowed upon Rasulullah ﷺ. This matter was recorded by Sayyidatina Khadeejah when *wahy* (divine revelation) was first revealed.

وَاللَّهِ مَا يُخْزِيكَ اللَّهُ أَبَدًا، إِنَّكَ لَتَصِلُ الرَّحِمَ، وَتَحْمِلُ
الْكُلَّ، وَتَكْسِبُ الْمَعْدُومَ، وَتَقْرِي الضَّيْفَ، وَتُعِينُ عَلَى نَوَائِبِ
الْحَقِّ.

“Never! By Allah, Allah will never disgrace you. You keep good relations with your kith and kin, speak the truth, help the poor and the destitute, serve your guests generously and assist those who are stricken with calamities.”

(al-Bukhaari)

Noble audience,

As citizens that are loyal to His Majesty Tuanku Sultan, we must accept with an open heart towards everything that have been decreed by His Highness Tuanku Sultan. This is because the Sultan’s decree is for the *maslahah* (benefit) of the people. Let us not belittle and fault the decree and commands of *Ulil Amri*. We would often question matters that we dislike just because it is not in accordance with our wants. This can be



seen in the issue of *jamaa'ah* (congregation) movement control at the masjid and vaccination efforts that would often spark accusations and *fitnah* (slander). In the end, there would be endless assumptions and confusions within the society regarding vaccination and inaccurate “factual” news being disseminated, causing restlessness within the community.

Let us avoid acts of provocation and manipulation pertaining facts on the social media by disputing the announcement of decree by *Ulil Amri*, purely for one’s personal gain and influencing the masses. This is in accordance with what had been approved by His Majesty the Sultan of Selangor on 28th September 2021, concluding that the ruling with regard to Covid-19 vaccination is permissible and it becomes *waajib* upon those that have been determined by the government. Therefore, all of the accusations hurled must be halted for they do not bring any good upon the Muslim *ummah*.

Hence, let us build the confidence in adhering to the commands of *Ulil Amri*, especially upon matters that bring about good and prosperity in our lives. In the *hadeeth* of ‘Abdullah ibn ‘Umar *radiyAllaahu ‘anhuma*, Rasulullah ﷺ said:

السَّمْعُ وَالطَّاعَةُ عَلَى الْمَرْءِ الْمُسْلِمِ فِيمَا أَحَبَّ وَكَرِهَ مَا
لَمْ يُؤْمَرْ بِمَعْصِيَةٍ فَإِذَا أُمرَ بِمَعْصِيَةٍ فَلَا سَمْعَ وَلَا طَاعَةَ

“A Muslim has to listen to and obey (the order of his ruler) whether he likes it or not, as long as his orders involve not one in disobedience (to Allah), but if an act of disobedience (to Allah) is imposed one should not listen to it or obey it.”

(*al-Bukhaari and Muslim*)

Dear beloved audience,



As residents in the state of Selangor, let us uphold the wishes and aspirations of the beloved Sultan in building and bringing prosperity to the state of Selangor like "*serumpun bak serai, sesusun bak sirih*" (meaning: remaining united in all matters). In addition, we dream of peace and prosperity in the state of Selangor from all sorts of calamities especially the dangerous virus of Covid-19. The residents must be thankful for having been bestowed with His Majesty the Sultan that is credible, caring, just, and consistent in empowering *Amar Ma'roof Nahy Munkar* (promoting good, preventing evil), as well as elevating the *Sharee'ah* of Islam in Selangor based on the *'aqeedah* of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*.

Therefore, on this noble Friday, all of us as citizens humbly present ourselves and convey our utmost congratulatory wishes to His Royal Highness the Sultan of Selangor, in conjunction with the 76th Birthday of His Majesty the Sultan of Selangor, Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah al-Haj Ibni Almarhum Sultan Salahuddin Abdul Aziz Shah al-Haj. May Allah bless and prolong the life of Tuanku Sultan in safeguarding peace and the welfare of the people in Selangor.

The conclusions that can be derived from the *khutbah*:

1. It is *wajib* upon the believers to obey the Sultan, Ruler, or *Khaleefah*, firmly asserted in al-Qur'an as *Ulil Amri*.
2. The Muslim *ummah* must obey *Ulil Amri*, so as to ensure the wellbeing of the society and nation unto becoming *Baldatun Tayyibatun wa Rabbun Ghafoor* (a good land and attaining Allah's Forgiveness).
3. The Muslim *ummah* must realize that just leaders will be conferred with glory from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in the Hereafter by attaining His Shade (Intercession).



أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
وَإِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُكُمْ أَنْ تُؤَدُّوا الْأَمَانَاتِ إِلَىٰ أَهْلِهَا وَإِذَا حَكَمْتُمْ بَيْنَ
النَّاسِ أَنْ تَحْكُمُوا بِالْعَدْلِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ نِعِمَّا يَعِظُكُمْ بِهِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ كَانَ
سَمِيعًا بَصِيرًا ﴿٥٨﴾

“Indeed, Allah commands you to render trusts to whom they are due and when you judge between people to judge with justice. Excellent is that which Allah instructs you. Indeed, Allah is ever Hearing and Seeing.”

(Soorah an-Nisaa' 4:58)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ
بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ
تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ.
أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ
الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ 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، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ
بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

Dear blessed audience,

Once more, I would like to remind all of us to always have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by guarding ourselves and our families from abominable deeds and disobedience against Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. At the same time, we will continue to pray so that our country will always remain blessed and protected from all forms of threat, as well as contagions from the Covid-19 pandemic.

May we become among the slaves of Allah that are patient while enduring all diseases afflicted, disciplined in adhering to the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) and deriving lessons from everything that has happened, always vigilant and mindful though we have been given a bit of freedom to move about. This is because the entire nation is still fighting the Covid-19 pandemic, for the sake of our own safety and the society as a whole.



For those that are truly affected by this pandemic, do not take the easy way out by harming and injuring oneself. We must be selfless, patient, and strong mentally and physically, built upon solid *imaan*.

Let us altogether increase our *salawaat* upon our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ as Allah has commanded:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا ﴿٥٦﴾

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 أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَهْلِكَ
الْكُفْرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَدَمِّرْ أَعْدَاءَكَ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ.
وَانصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ
بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعِينِ
عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا



المُعْظِم، سُلْطَانِ سَلَاطُور، سُلْطَانِ شَرْفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه
الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانِ صَلاَحِ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه
الحاج. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ
وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيِّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُور، تَعَكَوْ اَمِيرِ شَاهِ اِبْنِ
السُّلْطَانِ شَرْفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِي اَمْنٍ وَصَلاَحٍ
وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْاِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ
عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمُوظَّفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ
مَقاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرِّشَادِ.

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

O Allah, make us among Your slaves whom are always exalting Your Word and Religion. Keep us away from groups and those that like to criticize, curse, and insult Your Religion.

O Allah, grant us guidance in performing the five obligatory prayers in congregation, fulfilling *zakaat* through Selangor *Zakaat* Board (LZS), making endowment (*waqf*) through *Perbadanan Wakaf Selangor* (Selangor Endowment Corporation) and giving away (*infaaq*) our wealth through *Tabung Infak Jariah Umat Islam Selangor* (TIJARI, Selangor Continuous Charity for Muslims Fund), and to the orphans through Darul Ehsan Islamic Foundation (YIDE).



اللَّهُمَّ يَا دَافِعَ الْبَلَاءِ، اذْفَعْ عَنَّا هَذَا الْوَبَاءَ وَالْبَلَاءَ وَالْمَرَضَ
وَالشَّدَائِدَ وَالْمِحْنَ، بِلُطْفِكَ يَا لَطِيفُ إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ
قَدِيرٌ وَبِالْإِجَابَةِ جَدِيرٌ.

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا.
رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ ﴿٢٠١﴾.
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَى
وَيَنْهَى عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ



فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُواهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ،
وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا
تَصْنَعُونَ.