

Speech Text

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IN CONJUNCTION WITH
CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION
ON 22 FEBRUARI 2009,
AT DEWAN KAPITOL KANGAR, PERLIS.**

Good Evening,

Gong Xi Fa Chai, Xin Nian Kuai Le

The Respected Dr. Poh Choo Chor , President of MCA Perlis
state,

The Honorable Prof. Dr. Ali Yeon Md. Shakaff, Deputy Vice
Chancellor UniMAP (Academic And International),

The Honorable Prof. Dr. Zul Azhar Zahid Jamal, Deputy Vice
Chancellor UniMAP (Research And Innovation),

University Main Officers

UniMAP All Deans And All Department Leaders

Representatives from media and ladies and gentlemen

Firstly, let us together express out almost gratitude to God because only with the permission from HIM that we can be together on this very lucky day to celebrate this Chinese New Year 2009 celebration with the theme "Reminiscing The Spring Blossom".

Besides that, i would like to state congratulation and well done to all the committee members involved and headed by Ng Poh Kiu because this annual event is done successfully. For me, it is not easy to propose this great program. It needed very high commitment and dilligence from all involved to implement this program.

Honestly, i am very proud and i can say that this program was done successfully and have achieve its objective.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

As we know ,the chinese community in the whole Malaysia have been celebrating the Chinese New Year on 26 January 2009, but we can still feel the happiness mood from the Chinese New Year even after 1 month . The main attraction for this festival is they will visit each other during Chinese New Year and it is practised until now.

In fact, this practices must be follow because it can be the basic to encourage the citizens to be multi racial, multi religion and multi culture for our country , Malaysia. This is very important because as a multi-ethnic country , we need to immortalised and preserve the solidaritas and harmony between race, which have been bound together during forefather's time.

Because the harmony we have arranged since long long time ago , we all can feel the happiness for festivals such as Chinese New Year, Hari Raya Aidilfitri, Merry Christmas, Wesak Day, Happy Deepavali, Harvest festival and many other festivals that we celebrate in our country Malaysia.

We all at UniMAP are not excluded tonight because we are upholding this culture too . So let us consider this beautiful hall to be the place for us to visit each other , because every year , UniMAP will be holding main festival and Chinese New Year Celebration is among them . This festival celebration is to gather the whole of UniMAP as one unit or one big family to strengthen the ties between us.

This is because UniMAP is the only University in Malaysia that uses the concept of distributed campus which means our campus is scattered in the whole of Perlis . Go anywhere in Perlis , we will surely see the logo of UniMAP or the presence of University Malaysia Perlis. So, only with this kind of program that will help to strengthen the ties between students and staffs.

Ladies and gentlemen,

I would like to let you all know that what make us fell very proud is that our country is the only country in the world that celebrate more than 6 national festivals per annum . All kind festival let all the citizens forget about their racial differences, religion divides and we can be visiting each other and with only one intention , that is to tighten the bonds and create understanding among us.

I can say that this kind of effort is very good and i am proud .As the new generation, you all still need to give effort to uphold each traditional customs and cultures because it represent the identity and symbolic on this multi racial country to let the new generation remember the traditional customs and cultures.

With this kind of celebration, other race can have a good account and understanding on the culture of the multi racial in this country Malaysia and in this context, to know the chinese cultures better. The solidatas and the understanding each race can be formed from this celebration. Good understanding between the racial is the foundation for strength, peace and prosperity for our country.

Before ending my speech, again , let me state congratulation for the secretariat which successfully holding tonight's program. I wish that gathering like this will tighten the racial solidatas in Malaysia and won't be frightened by any threat.

Thank you