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“THE JUST SULTAN”

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: وَجَعَلْنَا مِنْهُمْ أُمَّةً يَهْدُونَ بِأَمْرِنَا لَمَّا صَبَرُوا
وَكَانُوا بِنَايَتِنَا يُوقِنُونَ ﴿٢٤﴾¹

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

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ! اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ! أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى
اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ. قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ
مُسْلِمُونَ.²

Dear blessed Muslims,

Let us altogether strive to increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we be granted with success in this world and the Hereafter.

The title of the *khutbah* today is “**THE JUST SULTAN.**”

¹ as-Sajadah 32:24.

² Aal ‘Imraan 3:102.



Dear respected audience,

Alhamdulillah the residents of Selangor will be celebrating the Sultan of Selangor's 77th Birthday on the 11th of December, 2022. May Allah bestow sound health and firm *imaan* (faith) upon His Majesty so as to continue ruling this state with full wisdom, justice, and fairness. The Sultan is the *khaleefah* (vicegerent) that has been entrusted by Allah to ensure the state would always remain in prosperity and well-being. What is more important is that the Sultan is responsible in safeguarding and protecting the sanctity of Islam so that it will be propagated and practiced by the denizens of this state with ease and peacefulness. The Sultan also must maintain strong relationship with Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, establish good and just economic system, ensuring that *amar ma'roof nahy munkar* (enjoin good, forbid evil) is implemented, and sets his vision in prioritizing the Last Day. This coincides with what Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 41 of soorah al-Hajj:

الَّذِينَ إِن مَّكَّنَّاهُمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ أَقَامُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَوُا الزَّكَاةَ وَأَمَرُوا
بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَنَهَوْا عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ ۗ وَلِلَّهِ عَاقِبَةُ الْأُمُورِ ﴿٤١﴾

“[And they are] those who, if We give them authority in the land, establish prayer and give zakaah and enjoin what is right and forbid what is wrong. And to Allah belongs the outcome of [all] matters.”

The Sultan or Ruler that is pleasing to Allah is one that is very concerned with regards to Islam and the affairs of the Muslims. Moreover, the Sultan that is always advising the people to safeguard their *salaah* (prayer) and fulfill their *zakaah*. The Sultan yearns for his subjects to



always indulge in various forms of good such as mutual agreement and consensus, as well as avoiding bad *akhlaaq* (character) such as disunity that only leads to evil and loss upon oneself, one's family, and the state.

The active role undertaken by His Royal Highness the Sultan of Selangor in advocating Islamic principles and providing advice regarding the sanctity of Islam is from among His Majesty's efforts in carrying out the commands of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. His Majesty would always remind the Muslim *ummah* to cling upon pure unadulterated 'aqeedah (creed), urging the Muslims to always unite their hearts and not be divided, always remain honest, trustworthy, and sincere in this life. This is the very effort and determination of His Royal Highness in preserving and upholding al-Islam so that the Muslims will be respected, thus it is *waajib* (obligatory) to be supported and welcomed by the Muslim *ummah*. Therefore, the Sultan is *Ulil Amri* (those in authority) that is *waajib* to be obeyed in matters that dignifies Islam.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 59 of soorah an-Nisaa':

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُوا الرَّسُولَ وَأُولِي الْأَمْرِ
مِنْكُمْ

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

The command for obedience to the Sultan by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* must be adhered to in ensuring that Islam continues to be empowered and respected. We would often hear the expression “the king



and the people are inseparable." It behooves us to internalize this statement in strengthening the role of the Sultan and the people for the purpose of ennobling Islam in this blessed land. The contribution of the Sultan cannot be denied in defending and spreading Islam.

The Sultan or *Ulil Amri* is the *khaleefah* of Allah that has been entrusted to protect the people and attain prosperity within the state. The role of preserving the religion and protecting the Muslim *ummah* is a very daunting task upon the Sultan. Because of that, the position of the Sultan is very well-respected and admired from long ago.

In upholding the *shi'aar* (symbols) of Islam in this state of Selangor, there are 10 main tasks for the Sultan, as outlined by Imaam al-Mawardi in his book "*al-Ahkaam al-Sultaaniyyah*":

1. Preserving the religion of Islam from being tainted by the deviants. *Alhamdulillah*, the state of Selangor had already issued *fataawa* that have been gazetted regarding deviant teachings so as to curb and halt such misguidance. Some of the practitioners of these deviant teachings have made *tawbah* (repentance), while some have had legal actions taken against them.

2. Implementation of Islamic governance. The state of Selangor, under the auspices of His Majesty, has already established several Islamic institutions relating to the interests and rights of the Muslims that are efficiently and effectively administered.

3. Protecting the state with sound educational and *'ibaadah* (worship) institutions. *Alhamdulillah*, His Royal Highness the Sultan had successfully ensured comfort and security within all *masaajid*, *suraus*, and Islamic schools from destructive elements.



4. Upholding Islamic law. Laws regarding Islamic affairs in Selangor that have been approved by His Majesty the Sultan were successful in protecting and administering the Muslims from falling into the corruption of *'aqeedah* and criminal behaviors, in addition to preserving the five rights within *Maqaasid Sharee'ah* (Higher Objectives of Islamic Law). In the end, Islam will be seen as a religion that protects its entire *ummah* with the implementation of *amar ma'roof nahy munkar*.

5. Maintaining public safety and order. *Alhamdulillah*, the state of Selangor is a state that is *tayyibah* (good) and *maghfirah* (forgiving). This refers to the grave concerns and *du'aa* (supplication) of His Majesty the Sultan upon the welfare of his subjects, as well as the loyalty of members of the security forces in carrying out their duties with sincerity and full responsibility.

6. Exerting *jihad* against those that attempt to insult and antagonize Islam. As the state's Head of Islamic affairs, His Royal Highness the Sultan often remind all quarters to not insult Prophet Muhammad ﷺ and mock the religion of Islam for it is a *Sharee'ah* criminal offense.

7. *Zakaat* management. The establishment of Selangor *Zakaat* Board (LZS) under the Selangor Islamic Religious Council (MAIS) with the consent and monitoring by the Sultan had proven to be successful and remains committed in the management of *zakaat* with full integrity, in the interest of the *asnaf* (qualified recipients) and the benefit of the *ummah*.

8. The welfare of the Islamic workers. His Majesty is very concerned with regard to the financial welfare of the officers and teachers that are employed at state agencies, *masaajid*, and schools, so that they will



always remain motivated in governing Islamic affairs within the state of Selangor.

9. Islamic workers that are trained and honest. This has been the priority and concern for His Royal Majesty so that the administration of the state's Islamic affairs will always attain the pleasure of Allah and spared from corruption and abuse of power.

10. Field visits (*turun padang*) to observe and deal with all of the issues experienced by the *ummah*. *Alhamdulillah*, His Majesty was able to physically see the progress of Islam and identify the problems within the *ummah* through various programs with the masses and honest discussions with the leaders so that the administration of Islamic affairs remains perfect.

Dear beloved Friday congregation,

Even though the task of a Sultan is very heavy and will be held into account in the Hereafter, Islam has promised privileges and virtues in this world and the Hereafter for the best and just Sultan, such as having his supplications not rejected and deemed as among the people of Paradise.

In a *hadeeth*, Abu Hurayrah *radiallāhu ‘anh* narrated that Rasulullah ﷺ said:

“There are three whose supplication is not rejected: The fasting person when he breaks his fast, the just ruler, and the supplication of the oppressed person.”

(Ahmad and at-Tirmidhi)

This is the honor from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta‘aala* bestowed upon the Sultan that rule with justice, that his supplications for the well-being of



his subjects are not rejected by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. With that, it behooves all leaders to always refer to His Majesty the Sultan with regard to all of state-related issues and religious matters, for the decree of the His Highness is honorable and his prayers are accepted.

The just Sultan that loves to give *sadaqah* (charity) will become among the people of Paradise. 'Iyaad bin Himaar *radiyAllaahu 'anh* reported:

"I heard the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said, "The people of Jannah are three: One who wields authority and is just and fair, one who is truthful and has been endowed with power to do good deeds. And the person who is merciful and kind hearted towards his relatives and to every pious Muslim, and one who does not stretch his hand in spite of having a large family to support."

(Muslim)

Hence, let us Selangor residents always supplicate for complete well-being and continuous sound health upon His Royal Highness the Sultan of Selangor so that His Majesty will continue to lead and rule the state with *hikmah* and justice, under the *hidaayah* (guidance) and *inaayah* (help and support) from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

Dear beloved Friday audience,

To end this sermon, let us internalize upon the following essence and lessons:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that the Sultan that rules with justice and the people that are obedient to the Sultan are actually



'*ibadah* and command from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* that promises handsome reward in this world and the Hereafter.

2. The just Sultan will be bestowed with Allah's Protection in this world and the reward of Paradise in the Hereafter, moreover his *du'aa* will always be answered by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

3. Rasulullah ﷺ is an individual that had been chosen by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in setting an example and as the best exemplary for the Sultan in matters of leadership and administrative affairs.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
لَقَدْ جَاءَكُمْ رَسُولٌ مِّنْ أَنْفُسِكُمْ عَزِيزٌ عَلَيْهِ مَا عَنِتُّمْ
حَرِيصٌ عَلَيْكُمْ بِالْمُؤْمِنِينَ رَءُوفٌ رَّحِيمٌ ﴿١٢٨﴾

“There has certainly come to you a Messenger from among yourselves. Grievous to him is what you suffer; [he is] concerned over you and to the believers is kind and merciful.”

(at-Tawbah 9:128)



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,

Let us altogether strive to have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by increasing our obedience towards Him and avoiding acts of disobedience and abominable deeds.

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا
عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا ﴿٥٦﴾
اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ
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.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ
بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ
عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةَ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةَ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا
الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُونِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه
الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه
الحاج. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعُونَ وَالْهَدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ
وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِيُوَلِّيَّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُونِ، تَعَكَوْ أَمِيرِ شَاهِ ابْنِ
السُّلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ
وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنِّكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَطْلُ
عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحِينَ لِلْمُؤَظَّفِينَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ
مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرِّشَادِ.

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).

Make us among Your slaves that fulfills the *amaanah*. Strengthen our *imaan* so that we avoid treachery, protect us from becoming among those that neglect their responsibilities, and protect our state and nation from destruction due to bribery. Render the duty to lead our country upon Your slaves whom are trustworthy and honest, as well as firm and courageous in upholding the truth and executing justice according to the *Sharee'ah*. O Allah, make the *masaajid* and *suraus* in the state of Selangor as Your peaceful homes, uniting everyone, and serve as the heart of the *ummah's* strength.

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 آتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ ﴿٢٠١﴾.



عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ
وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ



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