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MAJLIS BANDARAYA SEBERANG PERAI

SPEECH TEXT

**YANG BERBAHAGIA DATO' HAJI BADERUL AMIN BIN
ABDUL HAMID
MAYOR OF SEBERANG PERAI**

IN CONJUNCTION WITH

**WELCOME DINNER IN HONOUR OF THE DELEGATION
FROM THE MILAN URBAN FOOD POLICY PACT
(MUFPP)**

DATE / TIME / VENUE

**28 JUNE 2026 (SUNDAY)
8.00 PM**

**HOLIDAY INN & SUITES PENANG PRAI, JURU
SEBERANG PERAI TENGAH**

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim

Assalamu'alaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh,

Good evening, Salam Sejahtera, Salam Penang2030 dan Salam Malaysia MADANI,

1. ***Alhamdulillah***, all praise be to ***Allah S.W.T.*** for His countless blessings that allow us to gather this evening in friendship, solidarity and shared purpose at the **Welcome Dinner in Honour of the Delegation of the Milan Urban Food Policy Pact (MUFPP).**
2. On behalf of the people of Seberang Perai and the City Council, it is my great honour to warmly welcome each and every one of you to our city this evening. We are deeply grateful to the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations, the Milan Urban Food Policy Pact Secretariat and our international partners for entrusting Seberang Perai with the privilege of hosting this important programme.
3. We also extend our sincere appreciation to the Government of Malaysia, the European Commission, and all supporting institutions whose vision, partnership and unwavering commitment have transformed this programme from an aspiration into a reality.

Distinguished Delegates, Esteemed Partners and Friends, Ladies and Gentlemen,

4. Tonight is more than the beginning of a five-day programme. It is the beginning of new friendships, new partnerships and new possibilities for cities that share a common vision for a sustainable future. Over the next five days, we will engage in dialogue, exchange experiences and strengthen our collective resolve under the theme "Peer-to-Peer Learning through South-South and Triangular Cooperation: Scaling Up Efforts to Reduce Food Loss and Food Waste at the City Level in Asia and Pacific". This theme reminds us that food loss and food waste are not merely technical issues but systemic urban challenges that affect food security, climate resilience and social equity. Addressing it requires leadership, innovation and collaboration across borders.
5. Cities play a unique role in shaping sustainable food systems. Here in Seberang Perai, we are committed to reducing food waste, promoting circular economy practices and raising community awareness. Today, Seberang Perai proudly stands alongside more than 330 cities around the world under the Milan Urban Food Policy Pact to build healthier, more resilient and inclusive food systems.
6. This programme is also a celebration of collaboration. South-South and triangular cooperation are powerful tools for building shared solutions. I encourage all delegates to exchange best practices, innovative policies and practical tools. Let us use these five days not only to learn from one another, but also to build partnerships that will endure long after we leave Seberang Perai.

7. During your stay, you will experience how Seberang Perai transforms sustainability into action through initiatives that reduce food loss, strengthen food security and protect our natural environment. Beyond these visits, we hope you will also experience the warmth of Malaysian hospitality, the richness of our multicultural heritage and the friendships that make every journey truly unforgettable.
8. As your host city, Seberang Perai City Council is committed to ensuring not only a successful programme but also an experience that leaves you with new knowledge, lasting friendships and renewed inspiration.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

9. The future of our food systems will not be written by one city alone. It will be written by cities that choose collaboration over isolation, innovation over complacency and action over words. Tonight, let us celebrate not only our partnership but also our shared responsibility to leave behind healthier communities, stronger cities and a more sustainable world for future generations.

Together, let us transform the conversations we have now into the actions we take tomorrow.

Together, let us make every city part of the solution.

10. May Seberang Perai be remembered not merely as the city where we gathered but as the place where stronger partnerships were forged, bold ideas were shared and meaningful action on sustainable food systems truly began.
11. To all our distinguished delegates, thank you for honouring us with your presence. May your time in Seberang Perai be productive, enjoyable and truly memorable.

In the spirit of the Milan Urban Food Policy Pact, allow me to say, **"Grazie mille"** for your friendship, your partnership and your commitment to building a more sustainable future together.

Thank you.

Wabillahi Taufik Wal Hidayah, Wassalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.