

Closing Remarks Municipal President MPSP

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Ladies and gentleman,

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Assalamualaikum w.b.t and good afternoon.

First of all, I would like to extend my warm welcome to all the delegates from Gwangju Metropolitan City, Republic of Korea for their willingness to work together with Municipal Council Of Seberang Perai (MPSP) in the youth exchange program. We are very pleased to have the opportunity to organized the Youth Exchange Program with Gwangju Metropolitan City, Republic of Korea. Thank you to everyone who contributes in this program.

MPSP and Gwangju Metropolitan City, Republic of Korea has sealed the friendship city last May 2013. The Youth Exchange Program is the 1st program between us. Other than as a mayor and few official attended the World Human Rights City Forum in Gwangju.

Ladies and gentleman,

The purpose of this Youth Exchange Program is to establish cordial and good relationship between MPSP, communities, schools and with our friendship city. Furthermore, this program has also open up a chance for all delegates from Gwangju Metropolitan City, Republic Korea to experience and understand more about MPSP and our role as a local authority, Malaysian cultures and way of life, especially the life of students and the local communities.

Delegates from Gwangju have spent three nights at Sekolah Menengah Sains Tun Syed Sheh Shahabudin's hostel during this program started from 27th to 30th August 2014. Sekolah Menengah Sains Tun Syed Sheh Shahabudin was chosen because they have started green school program since 2010 and they give full commitment in implementing this program. Sekolah Menengah Sains Tun Syed Sheh Shahabudin was the champion for MPSP Green School Program and champion for Penang State Green School Program for two years consecutively.

I would like to express my great gratitude and thanks to Principal of Sekolah Menengah Sains Tun Syed Sheh Shahabudin and the students for their tremendous kindness and help to make our delegates stay pleasant and unforgettable.

I also would like to express my great gratitude and thanks the headmaster of Sekolah Jenis Kebangsaan (C) True Light for their great participate in fashion show.

I hope that, through this Program, we can strengthen our relationship between MPSP, school in MPSP and Gwangju Metropolitan City, Republic of Korea.

MPSP is actively promoting 4Rs concept. They are rethink, reduce, reuse and recycle. Schools in Seberang Perai are innovative and creative to create in converting waste material for musical instrument, clothing and also as a planting material. I know you have already seen the performance from the schools using all these waste material. Our roles as local authority is to change the residents mindset towards recycling among the society. We have many LA21 programs in schools and communities and collages.

I also noted that you have visited several historic places in Seberang Perai and Penang in this trip such as Abdullah Fahim Mosque, Nine Emperor Gods Temple, St . Anne Church, Sri Bandar Market and other interesting places. All these building are listed in our heritage trail and tourist map produced by MPSP. This may help delegates from Gwangju Metropolitan City, Republic of Korea to know more about religious features of different ethnic in Malaysia and also the history.

Ladies and gentleman,

For your information, this friendship city relation begun when MPSP was invited to attend World Human Rights Forum in Gwangju, Korea in 2011. We finally sealed memorandum with Gwangju Metropolitan City, Republic of Korea during 3rd World Human Rights Forum (WHRCF) and under the theme “Towards a Global Alliance of

Human Rights Cities for ALL”. During that time, I was also invited to be the speaker to present “World Human Rights Cities Forum – Best Practices”. We signed the memorandum on 17th May 2013 during Excellency Kang Un Tae as a mayor.

I also would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Excellency Mr. Yoon Janghyu who has been elected as the New Mayor for Gwangju Metropolitan City, Republic of Korea.

Ladies and gentleman,

Finally we come to an end of the program and I hope that the students Madam Kang, Mr Hwang and Dr. Gang has enjoyed in Seberang Perai and will bring good memories of us to be shared with others in Gwangju. I hope that we will bring more programs together to be an excellent Human Right City.

I wish all of you a safe and good journey back home to Gwangju.

Thank you.