

**Declaration for Furtherance of Common Prosperity
by the State of Penang, Malaysia and Kanagawa Prefecture, Japan**

A Joint Statement for the Further Development of Goodwill Exchanges between the State of Penang, Malaysia and Kanagawa Prefecture, Japan was signed on October 3, 1991. Since then, close cordial and friendly ties have been established.

Through this bonding of good neighbourliness and friendship, development cooperation and deeper common strategic interests between Penang and Kanagawa have been strengthened to serve their fundamental interests. Both Penang and Kanagawa believe in sustainable development which means using resources today in a manner that will still be available tomorrow.

On the 20th anniversary of this joint declaration, we pledge to renew our determination to strengthen further bilateral ties and cooperation in economic development, environmental sustainability, administration; and science and technology. We will continue to maintain understanding, strengthen people-to-people relationship, culture, heritage and tourism as well as in the social sectors including education and vocational training for youth and human resources development. We will continue to promote trust and build confidence on the principle of mutual benefit to both Penang and Kanagawa as well as the Asian region. Whatever race we belong to, we must remember we are all from one race – the human race. Let us all work towards a harmonious, peaceful and civil society.

Signed on this 21st Day of November 2011

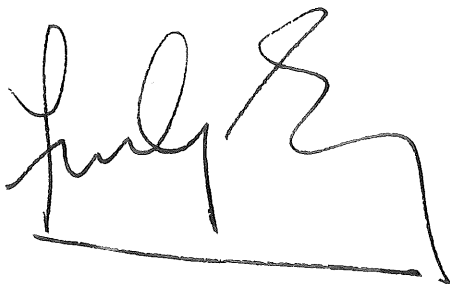
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