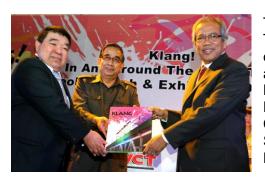


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# WCT BERHAD PAYS TRIBUTE TO KLANG WITH BOOK LAUNCH AND EXHIBITION

Klang, Selangor, 12 July, 2012: WCT Berhad today hosted the launch Klang! In and Around The Royal Town book in tribute to Klang at a special ceremony held at Première Hotel in Klang.



The richly illustrated 188-page Klang! In And Around The Royal Town, an epic coffee table book that documents and celebrates the royal town with affection and humanity, was launched by Orang Besar Daerah Klang Yang Dihormati Dato' Seri Setia DiRaja Dato' Haji Abdul Ghani bin Pateh Akhir, Chairman of WCT Berhad Y.Bhg Dato' Capt. Ahmad Sufian and Managing Director of WCT Berhad Taing Kim Hwa.

About 200 invited guests and media were present celebrating the premiere of the book, accompanied by an exhibition of original photographs lifted from the book. The exhibition, to coincide with the release of the book, is set to run until February next year at Première Hotel and presents a myriad of photographs from the book that showcase moments, places and life in Klang - as captured by the lenses. Books were available for purchase in the morning.

The event was also attended by Deputy Managing Director Goh Chin Liong, the board of directors, management of the company, heads of departments from Majlis Perbandaran Klang (MPK), writers and contributors of the book, interviewees for the book, business associates and local travel agents.

WCT initiated the project as part of the company's CSR initiative, recognizing the royal town as a significant part of Malaysia's history and highlighting the town's ongoing, strong economic growth and social development.

Speaking at the book launch, Dato Sufian, said "We look upon this launch as our humble way of giving back to the community in a real way and paying homage to the royal town. As we establish and grow our presence in Klang, we bring with us our dedication to philanthropy and our commitment to supporting the local communities," said Dato' Sufian.

Klang has been the backbone of many of our main projects, including WCT's maiden Township development in 1997 - Bandar Bukit Tinggi (BBT), one of the fastest growing townships spanning 1,346 acres in the Klang corridor with its affordable, freehold and quality properties. BBT has led to the opening of Bukit Tinggi Shopping Center, BBT ONE\_The

Towers, Première Hotel and Bandar Parklands, all of which are WCT's key developments in Klang. WCT's freehold 413-acre gated and guarded modern garden and lifestyle township of Bandar Parklands, comprising super link and semi-detached homes and bungalows, was launched in 2005.

WCT will dedicate increased focus on its evolution from a traditional business-to-business (B2B) approach to customer-centric and service oriented business units including property development, hospitality and shopping malls. We plan to leverage on our experience and expertise from the property projects that we have successfully completed here in Klang to help lead us in this new direction." he added.

The "Klang! In and Around The Royal Town" book is a tribute to the town's grandeur and features its many attractions, rich culture and historical background it owns. Inclusions among others in the book are the history of Klang, royal tales, the Royal House of Selangor, Klang's Little India, vintage villages in Klang North, chic and street foods, fascinating getaway spots neighbouring Klang and Port Klang's future course.

Klang! In And Around The Royal Town is retailed at RM99 a copy at all major bookstores (book available next week), WCT Berhad Head Office in Glenmarie Shah Alam, WCT Land Sales Office in Klang, Première Hotel and Paradigm Mall, and profits from the book sales will be channelled to charity beneficiaries. The beneficiaries include Good Samaritan Home, Persatuan Kebajikan Anak Yatim & Miskin Al-Munirah and Pusat Warga Emas, all located in Klang.

Copies of the book have been distributed to Malaysia National Library and resource centres of local heritage organizations such as The Sultan Abdul Aziz Royal Gallery in Klang and placed in all 250 guestrooms at Première Hotel for guests' reading pleasure.

"The book launching and exhibition are our own way of thanking the community for the support they have showed us over the last 15 years. We hope that Klang residents will derive as much interest and enjoyment from reading its contents as we derived from producing it and it will inspire a new sense of pride and unity in living in a progressive town that is also an integral part of our country's history and culture", said Dato' Sufian.

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#### **About WCT Berhad**

WCT Berhad, a Public Listed Company on Bursa Malaysia, is a leading Malaysian construction and property development company with a global presence in key markets such as the Qatar, U.A.E., Oman, Bahrain, India, Vietnam and Malaysia. An established and well-reputed brand name in the construction and property development industry both locally and abroad, WCT has today expanded its products and service offerings in project development and management, construction design, value engineering, township planning, property development and infrastructure and concession management.

Since establishing itself on 14 January 1981, WCT has completed over 300 construction projects valued at RM20.0 billion over 31 years. WCT has delivered in excess 14,000 units of residential and commercial properties amounting to a gross development value (GDV) of RM4.0 billion.

WCT has constructed and developed major projects including Formula One circuits in Sepang, Bahrain and Abu Dhabi, infrastructure works for the New Doha International Airport in Qatar, Bahrain City Centre, Kota Kinabalu International Airport in Sabah and Bukit Tinggi Townships in Klang. Currently, WCT undertakes construction contracts of the new KLIA2 Integrated Complex, Government Administrative Office in Qatar, Batinah Expressway in Oman;; High-rise residential at 1Medini Residences in Iskandar Malaysia; mix-commercial properties at the Paradigm Petaling Jaya and the township development Bandar Parklands Klang, amongst others.

For more information on WCT, please visit www.wct.com.my

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