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Assalamualaikum W.B.T and a very good evening.

1. First and foremost, I would like to record my deepest appreciation for the invitation to the **“Malaysia Top Entrepreneur of the Year Awards”**. It is truly an honour and privilege for me to be here today. I believe the vision and creativity of these awards has elevated the SMEs in Malaysia to a significant level.

Ladies and gentlemen,

2. As we can see, successful entrepreneurs always come with a distinctive charisma, they have the power of influence to let others know about their company and which country they originated from. I firmly believe that when an entrepreneur has a great influence on the market, this would surely help that company to be well recognised and would also ascertain Malaysia as the birthplace of that entity.

3. Such example would be is when we mention about **“The King of Steel” Andrew Carnegie**, people will almost immediately relate it to the United States. We Malaysians, can closely associate ourselves with the founding father of Genting Highlands, Tan Sri Dato' Seri Dr. Lim Goh Tong. These prominent figures with their business philosophy and managerial values have been widely adopted and have greatly influence the world we live in. To that extent, entrepreneurs should not always be regarded as only the assistant to enhance the nation economic

development, they can also become a successful spokesperson of the country itself.

4. It is based on my understanding that the entrepreneurs who stand on this stage today, they have really paid their hard work with self-reliance, perseverance and full commitments towards their company. They have also responsibly contributed to the society and this can only bodes well for Malaysia as a multi-racial country on the perception by the people all over the world.

5. Before I end my speech, please allow me to record my heartfelt congratulations once again to the award recipients tonight. We are looking forward to your future achievements with high expectations.

Thank you.