Minister Mentor Singapore

30 September 2010

Dear Mrs Balaji,

I was saddened to hear of Balaji's passing away. He made no secret that he had colon cancer and that the chances of recovery were not high because it was discovered at a late stage.

He was a good man with a great heart. Although he was ill, he turned up in Parliament for my party to join the others in giving me their best wishes for my birthday. I found him an asset to Singapore and to Parliament.

No words can console you although you knew this outcome. I send you and your children my deepest sympathies.

Yours sincerely,

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