ADDRESS DELIVERED BY CHIEF DR. ANTHONY A. OMOLOLA, CHAIRMAN OWA 45TH CORONATION ANNIVERSARY AT THE OFFICIAL HANDING OVER CEREMONY OF CORONATION ANNIVERSARY REPORTS AND COMPLETED PHASES 1&2 OF THE PALACE RENOVATION/RECONSTRUCTION ON FRIDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 2022.

PROTOCOLS

HIS IMPERIAL MAJESTY, OBA DR. FREDRICK ADEGUNLE AROLOYE (JP), OFR, GBOLAGUNTE, ARUBIEFIV IV THE OWA AND PARAMOUNT RULER OF IDANRE KINGDOM.

Others:

I sincerely thank you all for honoring the committee's invitation to attend today's epoch occasion. On behalf of the committee, I appreciate our referred kabiyesi for endorsing all nominations brought before him to serve in this Committee and given me the privilege and opportunity to chair and lead the Committee.

Kabiyesi, permit me to thank other Royal Fathers of our kingdom for their co-operation and contributions towards the success of the 45th Owa Coronation Anniversary: May your reign continue to bring development, progress and peace to our kingdom.

I really appreciate all Makanres especially the Committee Members home and in Diaspora for the unprecedented support and deep involvement morally, spiritually and financially in the project. The huge support demonstrated yielded the unprecedented outstanding results we witnessed during the 45th Owa Coronation Anniversary Celebrations from 6th-11th December, 2021.

What we are witnessing today in the palace; the huge renovation/transformation of the palace that has witnessed only two phases of our planned 5 phases involvement.

In the real sense our journey has just started.

The Members of the Steering Committee discharged their duties diligently and this culminated into the successful outcomes of the Marathon race, Press Conference, Lectures, Health and Medical outreach with distribution of food items at the medical outreach site, the Coronation Anniversary day proper, Kabiyesi's Thanksgiving service etc.

Let me appreciate the Exco for their selfless services and contributions; the synergy was fantastic, I am grateful to you all.

The achievements so far and today's handover ceremony is a milestone on the mountain of our dreams and aspirations that we have for the socio, cultural and economic development of Idanre kingdom.

We will not relent until Idanre kingdom becomes a **Preferred Destination** in our Nation.

In line with the wishes of this His Imperial Majesty Oba Dr. Fredrick Adegunle Aroloye, UGHA, and well-meaning Makanres during a lecture delivered at Durosomo event center, the Committee will be metamorphosing to an all-inclusive FORUM for the development and progress of Idanre kingdom.

The forum will focus On Tourism, Culture, Education, Agriculture, Infrastructural Development, peace and security.

Permit me to make this disclosure at this juncture; About two and half years ago, I established an NGO called Idanre Infrastructural Development Assembly (IIDA), meant to cater for infrastructural deficits and other matters in our kingdom but today I humbly subsume this idea to the newly formed bigger forum that will successfully discharge same functions.

I am happy to announce that the bigger forum will be called **IDANRE DEVELOPMENT ASSEMBLY (IDA)**.

We thank kabiyesi for his encouragement and support in forming this forum.

This will with immediate effect replace the 45th Owa Coronation Anniversary Committee.

We will continue other processes that will form a proper structure for this Forum from today.

Our APIT Principle and Slogan; (Accountability, Probity, Integrity and Transparency) has played a major role in our journey to where we are today and promise our kingdom on sustaining this principle

The IDA will harness the human and material resources abundant in the kingdom and outside the kingdom in Diaspora, in ensuring we start threading the path of sustainable development.

Idanre is becoming unstoppable in her journey to greatness and nothing again will deter us.

"A city set on the mountain must shine light to the whole world".

We are the light and we will tirelessly work together in ensuring the light is not quenched.

I am using this medium to appeal and beg that all Makanres home and in diaspora must join hands together the way we did during the 45th Owa Coronation Anniversary and salvage and lift our kingdom from the current unsatisfactory and unacceptable level to massive infrastructural development level that will attract massive development for our kingdom.

His Imperial Majesty, our Royal Highnesses and all Makanres, the IDA will draw short, medium and high strategic Plans/Blueprints (5, 10, 20, 50 and 100 years) that will by God's grace be used as our roadmap to prosperity.

Our appreciation and thanks to God Almighty, His Imperial Majesty, our Royal Highnesses and all Makanres home and in Diaspora for your support in Making today a reality.

My appreciation and thanks to those of you in the committee that have worked with me almost every day till 1am and beyond in some few occasions.

I am proud of you all.

- Long live Idanre Kingdom
- Long live Ondo state
- Long live Nigeria

Yours sincerely in the service of Idanre Kingdom,

Chief DR. Anthony A. Omolola, Chairman. 45th Owa Coronation Anniversary committee.