

Run Kuwait

November is always an active month with marathons and races organized by different institutions. A special thanks to the Ministry of Interior for making sure the roads on which the races take place are secured. The nice thing about those activities is that they engage the entire community, of all ages, to break from routine and promote an active lifestyle. In addition, most of these organizations generate revenue from the events to support noble charitable causes. I should hope that none of our members of parliament, who are fortunate to represent this nation, would object to these charitable activities under the pretext that they're mixed-gender activities. In fact, it has been proven that gender segregation does not stop immorality. Whoever is corrupt in his heart will not be dissuaded by law, time, or place. So I advise members of parliament to concentrate on more important matters like passing and implementing better legislation. Leave personal freedoms to the people. People who prefer segregated sports venues have their choice of clubs and gyms. The same is true for people who don't mind mixed places. Kuwait is a civil country with a wonderful mix of cultures and ethnicities, and no group can impose its views on another without making us lose a little of what makes us unique.

The sporting event "Run Kuwait" is organized by Fawzia Sultan Rehabilitation Institute every year. (Now called the Fawzia Sultan Healthcare Network) Fawzia Sultan is a non-profit institution and all of its revenues support charitable and social efforts under the supervision of the distinguished Dr. Elham Al Hamdan and her father, Abdulaziz Bin Hamdan Bin Basheq Al Janai. He is a true gentleman with a smile that never leaves his face. I have known him since the crash of the unofficial