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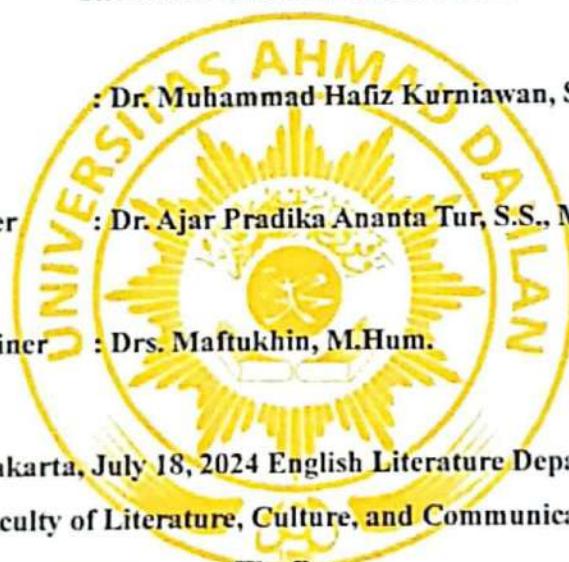
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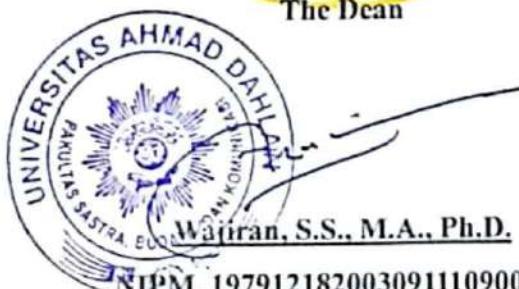
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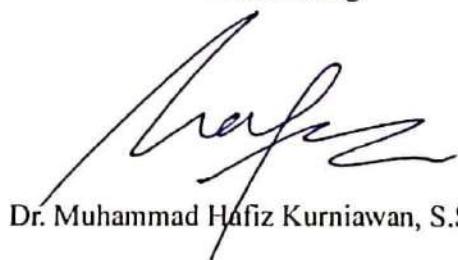
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– *Jihoon of Treasure*

“Just because your process takes longer than others, doesn't mean you failed.”

– *Jihoon of Treasure*

“Allah does not burden any soul with more than it can bear...”

– *Q.S. Al-Baqarah: 286*

“It’s leviOsa, not leviosA”

– *Hermione Granger in Harry Potter and The Sorcerer’s Stone*

“Happiness can be found, even in the darkest of times, if only remembers to turn on the light”

– *Albus Dumbledore in Harry Potter and The Prisoner of Azkaban*

“Just keep swimming, keep swimming”

– *Dory in Finding Nemo*

“Daftar aja dulu kak, masalah biaya mah nanti, rezeki udah diatur sama yang di atas”

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## **ABSTRACT**

Songs are a communication media between songwriters and listeners. Songwriters share their attitude, feeling, and emotion by expressing them in song lyrics to listeners, either implicitly or explicitly. This research aims to analyze how songwriters express their attitudes and how strategies of attitudinal choices are used in song lyrics.

The method used is descriptive qualitative by directly observing the song lyrics. The data source for this research is the song lyrics from The Greatest Showman Soundtrack. The data in this research are words, phrases and clauses which are then analyzed using an appraisal system, especially attitudes, developed by Martin and White (2005) to show the attitudinal evaluation in song lyrics.

The results of this research are that from 65 data, affect dominates more than judgment and appreciation, it means that songwriters tend to use their personal feelings in songs. In terms of polarity, the songwriters express their attitude by positive and negative, positive attitudes dominate over negative attitudes. The strategy of attitudinal choices is used by songwriters are mostly explicit or inscribed.

*Keywords: Appraisal Theory, Attitude, Inscribe and Invoke, SFL, Song Lyrics.*

## **INTISARI**

Lagu merupakan salah satu media komunikasi antara penulis lagu dengan pendengar. Penulis lagu membagikan perasaannya dengan cara mengekspresikannya ke dalam lirik lagu terhadap pendengar baik secara implisit maupun eksplisit. Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menganalisis bagaimana sikap penulis lagu mengutarakan perasaannya dan bagaimana strategi pemilihan sikap digunakan dalam lirik lagu.

Metode yang digunakan adalah deskriptif kualitatif dengan mengamati langsung lirik lagu. Sumber data penelitian ini adalah lirik lagu dari The Greatest Showman Soundtrack. Data dalam penelitian ini adalah kata, frasa, and klausa yang kemudian dianalisis menggunakan appraisal systems khususnya attitude yang dikembangkan oleh Martin dan White (2005) untuk menunjukkan evaluasi sikap dalam lirik lagu.

Hasil dari penelitian ini adalah dari 65 data, affect lebih mendominasi dari pada judgment dan appreciation, yang berarti penulis lagu cenderung menggunakan perasaan pribadinya dalam lagu. Dalam hal polaritas, penulis lagu mengekspresikan perasaannya secara positif dan negatif, dan sikap positif lebih mendominasi daripada sikap negatif. Strategi pemilihan sikap yang digunakan penulis lagu didominasi dengan cara eksplisit atau inscribe.

*Kata Kunci: Appraisal Theory, Attitude, Inscribe and Invoke, SFL, Song Lyrics.*