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Greetings from Canada's Citizenship and Immigration Minister

I would like to extend my warmest greetings to all those attending the Durham Multi Faith World Religion Day celebration. On behalf of Prime Minister Stephen Harper and the Government of Canada, I would like to thank all of the organizers, participants and volunteers for your hard work in making this event a success.

This event is a wonderful platform of inspiring exchange, where members of our community across all religions can share their collective wisdom, and work together in opening avenues of cooperation and interaction. This year's theme 'The Evolution of Faith, Diversity and Culture in the Durham Region' strongly resonates with the fundamental principles upon which our communities are built, those of acceptance, tolerance, and understanding. World Religion Day is an opportunity to celebrate the strength of our pluralism, reflecting the diversity of Canada, and showcasing our success as a welcoming nation, one of peace and prosperity.

As Canada's Citizenship and Immigration Minister, I would like to thank the Durham Multi Faith World Religion Day Committee and all of the organizers for bringing people together and providing a forum for discussion, learning, spiritual growth, and understanding of other faiths.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Alexander".

Chris Alexander

Canada's Citizenship and Immigration Minister



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