



April 8th, 2019

Greetings/Proclamation Request to Falun Dafa Day Celebration - the 27th Anniversary

Dear Mayor

I am writing to respectfully request a greeting/proclamation message from you as we pay tribute to the 27th anniversary of the introduction of Falun Dafa(also called Falun Gong) to the public.

May 13th is the anniversary that is celebrated in over 100 countries including Canada by the followers of Falun Dafa. As part of our annual tradition, we will mark the occasion with festivities and celebrations throughout May to share the peace of Falun Dafa with fellow Canadians.

Worldwide recognition of Falun Dafa includes thousands of awards and proclamations for its promotion of harmony and health through a traditional Chinese self-improvement system. The practice of Falun Dafa helps people improve their spiritual, mental, moral, and physical well-being through meditative exercises and the guiding principles of *Truthfulness, Compassion, and Tolerance*.

Despite the eradication campaign launched against Falun Dafa by the Chinese Communist Party since 1999, Falun Dafa's popularity has not diminished; instead, it is embraced nowadays by people from over 100 countries. As history unfolds itself, the crackdown on spiritual freedom by an authoritarian government is doomed to fail.

In Canada, we are privileged to embrace the values of openness, diversity, and the freedom of conscience and religion. The upright stance on Falun Dafa from our government officials during the past 20 years, including Mayors, Premiers, the Prime Ministers, has encouraged Falun Dafa communities home and abroad, particularly to those who have experienced the harsh persecution in China.

It is in this spirit we will celebrate the 27th anniversary this May and extend our gratitude to all Canadians who have been supporting us. We would much appreciate to have your greeting/proclamation message by **May 10th, 2019**.

Should you have questions, please contact Ms. Vic Cui, 416 822 7123

Sincerely,

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Greetings, proclamations and speeches for Falun Dafa Month Celebration 2018 (excerpt):



Through the promotion of the principles of truthfulness, compassion and forbearance, millions of people around the world have benefitted from the teachings of Falun Dafa. I know this practice has a strong following in Canada's peaceful, pluralistic society. **–Hon. Andrew Scheer, Leader of the Official Opposition, Greetings for Falun Dafa Celebration 2018**

The messages that you deliver of peacefulness, compassion, respect, are the messages that all of us in Canada need to think about every single day. **–Hon. Judy Sgro, MP, Co-Chair of Parl Friends for Falun Gong, speech on Parliament Hill on May 9, 2018**

Through the promotion of the principles of truthfulness, compassion, and forbearance, millions of people around the world have benefited from the teachings of Falun Dafa. **–Hon. Peter Kent, MP, Co-Chair of Parl Friends for Falun Gong, speech on Parliament Hill on May 9, 2018**

I have great respect for the principles of Truth, Benevolence and Forbearance, which guide the Falun Dafa movement **–Hon. Elizabeth May, leader of the Green Party of Canada, speech/greetings for 2018**

At a time of unrest in many countries, Falun Dafa has much to teach us about peace and harmony. We are fortunate, indeed, to live in a country that embraces freedom, and welcomes us to practice our beliefs. **–Hon. W. Thomas Molloy, Lieutenant Governor, Saskatchewan, Greetings for 2018**

The commitment of Falun Dafa's followers to the tenets of Truthfulness, and kindness, as well as the pursuit of improving oneself through the quiet practice of meditation and gentle movement is admirable
– Hon. Sandy Silver, Premier of Yukon, Greetings for 2018

2018 Municipal Proclamation of Falun Dafa Day	2018 Greetings from Mayors
Mayor Jim Watson, City of Ottawa, ON Mayor Jim Diodati, Niagara Falls, ON Mayor Bryan Paterson, Kingston, ON Mayor Gordon Krantz, Milton, ON Mayor Rob Burton, Oakville, ON Mayor Al McDonald, North Bay, ON Mayor Aldo DiCarlo, Amberstburg, ON Mayor Charlie Clark, Saskatoon, SK Mayor Michael Fougere, Regina, SK Mayor Rick Lang, Melfort, SK Mayor Colin Basron, Kelowna, BC Mayor Chris Pieper, Armstrong, BC Mayor Phil Kent, Duncan, BC Mayor Rajeane Masson, Martinville, QC	Mayor Daryl Bennett, Peterborough, ON Mayor Chris Friel, Brantford, ON Mayor Walter Sendzik, St. Catharins, ON Mayor Rick Goldring, Burlington, ON Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua, Vaughan, ON Mayor John Henry, Oshawa, ON Mayor Jeff Lehman, Barrie, ON Mayor Taso A. Christopher, Belleville, ON Mayor Geoffrey Dawe, Aurora, ON Mayor Christian Provenzano, Sault Ste. Marie, ON Mayor Brian Bowman, Winnipeg, MB Mayor Denis Perrault, Swift Current, SK Mayor Lois E. Jackson, Delta, BC Mayor Linda Hepner, Surrey, BC Mayor Mike Clay, Port Moody, BC Mayor Stuart Houston, Spruce Grove, AB



I'm pleased to join you in celebration of the 26th anniversary of Falun Dafa. The principles of Falun Dafa: Truthfulness, Compassion, and Tolerance, are values that we all aspire to achieve in Canada.

–James Bezan, MP, greetings for Falun Dafa Month 2018

I support the efforts that you're doing with regards to the peacefulness of the mind, and dealing with the individuals that need that help. **–Larry McGuire, MP, speech for Falun Dafa Day on Parliament Hill on May 9, 2018**

It is my honour to extend heartfelt congratulations to the Falun Dafa Association of Canada on this, the celebration of their 26th anniversary...and truly appreciate their work in sharing the principles of truthfulness, compassion, and tolerance. **–Nathaniel Erskine-Smith, MP, greetings for Falun Dafa Month 2018**

I would like to extend my warmest greeting to those celebrating the twenty-sixth anniversary of the introduction of Falun Dafa to the public...This milestone is a wonderful occasion to highlight the guiding principles of Falun Dafa; *Truthfulness, Benevolence, and Forbearance*.

–Stephanie Kusie, MP, Greeting for 26th Falun Dafa Anniversary, 2018

As a society, we appreciate values like truthfulness, benevolence and tolerance and recognize those qualities as core principles of Falun Dafa.

–Hon. Gene Makowsky, MLA, SK. Greeting for 26th Falun Dafa Anniversary, 2018

We also received greetings from: Senator Marilou McPhedran, MP Ted Falk, MP Hon. Candice Bergen, MP Dane Lloyd, MP Karen McCrimmon, MP Larry Bagnell, MP Nathaniel Erskine-Smith, MP Karen McCrimmon, MP Peter Julian, MP Stephanie Kusie, MP Dane Lloyd, MP Tom Kmiec, MP Deepak Obhrai, MP Pat Kelly, MP Len Webber, MP Darshan Kang, MP Michael Cooper, MP Kelly McCauley, MP Kerry Diotte, MP Garnett Genuis, MP Mike Lake,

Hon. Jason Kenney, MLA, AB; Saskatchewan Education Minister, Tina Beaudry-Mellor, Saskatchewan MLA Dr. Ryan Meili, Ontario, MPP Sam Oosterhoff, Ontario MPP Hon. Mitzie Hunter, Ontario MP Tina Beaudry-Mellor, Mississauga Councillor Ron Starr, Toronto councillor Josh Matlow, Calgary Councillor Jeromy Farkas,

Celebration Rally speakers in Ottawa: MP David Anderson, Hon. Judy Sgro, Hon. Peter Kent, MP Larry McGuire, MP Garnett Genuis, MP Elizabeth May, MP Robert Falcon-Ouellette, MP James Bezan, Senator Thanh Hai Ngo, Former MP David Kilgour, Former MP John Weston, Father Deacon Andrew Bennett, Ms. Sheng Xue

Introduction of Falun Dafa:

A traditional Qigong exercise based on ancient Chinese values, *Falun Dafa* emphasizes the principles of Truthfulness, Compassion and Forbearance in every practitioner's life. It comprises a set of 5 gentle, tranquil exercises, through which one is able to attain a healthy body and spiritual enlightenment. More than 100 million practitioners all over the world have benefited tremendously from the practice. Falun Dafa activities and classes are open to public and free of charge.



Since its introduction to the public on May 13th, 1992 by its founder, Mr. Li Hongzhi, Falun Dafa has received worldwide recognition for its concerted efforts to promote harmony, tolerance and compassion in society. Those who practise learn to overcome selfishness, think of others first, look inside themselves for causes of conflicts, and elevate their moral character, becoming better and healthier persons and more responsible members of society. Mr. Li, meanwhile, seeks no monetary reward and requires that the practice be available to everyone free of charge.

During the past years, Falun Dafa month has been celebrated and received thousands of awards and proclamations, acknowledging its benefits, both spiritual and physical, to practitioners and the society at large.

Despite a nation-wide state-led persecution against Falun Dafa that was launched in China on July 20th, 1999 by the former Chinese communist leader Jiang Zemin, the popularity of Falun Dafa has not only remained undiminished, but also flourished all over the world. Falun Dafa practitioners—inside and outside China—have responded to persecution with peaceful and persistent efforts to inform the public about the persecution, correct false claims made by the communist regime's propaganda about Falun Gong, and in so doing have provided an outstanding example of virtue and humanity in the face of injustice.

Falun Dafa practitioners across the world have walked a truly moral, righteous and honourable path, winning wide recognition, support and respect. Together, we will commemorate this historical era of millions of Falun Dafa practitioners' righteous deeds and once again, acknowledge Falun Dafa for the benefits it brings to individuals, communities, and the world at large.

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