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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

On behalf of my council colleagues and citizens of the City of Kitchener, it is my pleasure to share my best wishes with everyone celebrating Tamil Heritage Month this January. I must extend my regrets as I am unable to join you virtually to take part in your celebrations.

The City of Kitchener, and the entire Waterloo Region, is home to individuals from all over the world, including many Tamil Canadians, and we are fortunate to have the opportunity to share in the rich cultural histories and heritage of all of our citizens. Our diversity and inclusivity are a large part of what makes the quality of life in Kitchener so rich.

As we come together to celebrate Tamil Heritage Month, we must take this opportunity to increase our awareness and show our sincere appreciation for all the achievements and contributions of the Tamil community. We must also acknowledge the hardships that many Tamil Canadians have overcome and join together as we recognize the many important contributions that the Tamil community has made to the fabric of our society, both locally and right across Canada.

Due to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, celebrations for Tamil Heritage Month will not look like they normally do. However, I am hopeful that these changes will not diminish your celebrations, and you will still be able to find ways to connect virtually with your family, friends, and community.

Please accept my best wishes for a joyous gathering and continued wellbeing as you celebrate the remainder of Tamil Heritage Month.

Sincerely,

Berry Vrbanovic
~Mayor~
City of Kitchener

