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Good evening delegates,

As the Member of Provincial Parliament for Ottawa Centre, I am very proud to welcome everyone to the 32<sup>nd</sup> World Religions Conference (WRC).

We are very lucky to live in a country that views our multitude of religions and faiths as a strength. For the last 32 years, the WRC has been an engine for increased understanding, tolerance, and mutual respect among the diverse religious communities of our province. Your ambition to find, and maintain, a shared vision of love and acceptance amongst the religions of the world is contributing to a more peaceful community for all of us.

I wish to commend the WRC on its groundbreaking accomplishments over the last three decades. Each year it continues to cultivate the attention of participants of all faiths in all fields of academia, all levels of government, media and those seeking a more peaceful future for our world. This event has become the largest multi-faith event in our country because it promotes the belief that we can create a brighter future when we hold equality, justice, freedom of faith and philosophy and love as paramount.

I want to congratulate you all on your decision to participate in the 2012 World Religions Conference. By attending this event you have made the choice to work towards a better world for ourselves and for future generations. We have much to learn from one another, and I commend you for taking an active role to share your beliefs and your vision. Although I regret not being able to join you this evening, I look forward to continuing my support for this great event for many years to come.

My very best wishes for a great weekend of discussion!

Warmest regards,

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