## 32<sup>nd</sup> World Religions Conference

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On behalf of the Government of Ontario, I am honoured to extend warm greetings to everyone attending the 32<sup>nd</sup> World Religions Conference, presented by the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama`at.

It is fitting that this meeting of faiths be held in Ontario, a province that has found great strength in its diversity. Ours is a province that embraces the good in every culture and respects every faith. We solve our differences through constructive dialogue and seek genuine mutual understanding. Our differences define us, but never divide us.

The progress we have made in our diversity journey has inspired other countries around the world to work through the challenges of their own changing populations. As Premier, I am proud of Ontario's success in building a harmonious multicultural society. Hosting events such as this is an opportunity to open our minds and hearts to the wisdom that other faiths bring. It is also a chance to cultivate a more profound understanding of our respective beliefs.

I commend all the delegates and speakers at this conference for their contributions. By attending this conference and engaging in meaningful discussions, you are helping to lay the groundwork for a genuine and lasting world peace and cross-cultural co-operation.

Please accept my best wishes for a memorable and inspirational gathering.

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