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A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE PREMIER

On behalf of the Government of Ontario, I am delighted to extend warm greetings to everyone attending the 37th World Religions Conference.

As a proud Canadian, I am honoured to see that this year's theme — My Faith and Canadian Values — was inspired by Canada's 150th birthday. It is a relevant and timely message in light of the divisions facing our world today. As Ontarians, we respect and cherish diversity, and see the universal values underlying the world's great religions. Our success with multiculturalism has strengthened us as a nation and has drawn newcomers of every faith and background.

I thank Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama` at Canada for hosting this event. This is a great opportunity to build on our success as a multicultural society — by promoting ongoing dialogue between the different faiths and cultures represented in today's gathering.

We all have a part to play in celebrating Ontario's achievements. We have accomplished so much together, and I expect we will achieve even greater things in the next 150 years.

Please accept my best wishes.

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