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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Welcome everyone to the 37th World Religions Conference themed "My Faith and Canadian Values" on November 4, 2017 at the Humanities Centre, University of Waterloo. On behalf of members of council and the citizens of the City of Kitchener, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Kitchener-Waterloo area.

This annual conference has served to not only allow participants to take time to reflect on matters of faith in today's fast-paced society, it also serves as a tribute to Canada's diversity from both a faith and cultural perspective. In an increasingly complex world, my hope is that this conference serves as another means to find the ties that bring us together, rather than those that divide us.

As you participate in the conference, I would like to invite each of you to personally experience the many attractions and outstanding hospitality for which our diverse and multicultural community has become so well known.

Thank you to the organizers of the World Religions Conference. Your hard work and coordination efforts are reflected in the success of this year's conference and the smiles on the faces of all those in attendance.

Best wishes to everyone for an educational and informative conference !

Sincerely,

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