

City of Calgary Proclamation

United Nations World Interfaith Harmony Week February 1-7, 2017

WHEREAS:

The 2010 UN General Assembly approved unanimously the first week of February as the UN World Interfaith Harmony Week.

The Freedom to observe and practice one's religion, individual conviction, faith or beliefs without fear is a fundamental right, recognized under the Canadian Bill of Rights.

The City of Calgary teems with the beauty and richness of diverse ethnic, cultural, racial, and religious communities that enhance the dignity and respect for all citizens.

The City of Calgary recognizes the significant contributions of these interfaith communities to the overall well-being and success of civic life and thereby supports the development of programs that foster the understanding and sharing of this diversity.

The City of Calgary recognizes the equality of rights and privileges of residents from all its diverse communities, promotes zero tolerance of discrimination, and recognizes the diverse need of its communities.

The City of Calgary encourages and supports the development of programs and projects that promote harmony among its diverse communities.

The City of Calgary encourages its diverse communities to share their customs, values and traditions with one another in the spirit of mutual respect, peace and harmony.

THEREFORE, I, Mayor Naheed Nenshi on behalf of the Calgary City Council do hereby proclaim February 1-7, beginning in 2017 as the annual UN World Interfaith Harmony Week in Calgary.

Dated at
Calgary,
Alberta this

