PROCLAMATION

Gujarat Day

WHEREAS: Friends of Gujarat is a not-for-profit initiative of Canadian Gujaratis to connect Gujaratis to the mainstream and promote the arts and culture of Gujarat. There are over 350,000 Gujaratis in Canada and over 50,000 residing in Brampton.

Gujarat is a state in western India, sometimes referred to as the "Jewel of Western India." It has an area of 196,024 square kilometers with a coastline of 1,600 kilometers and a population in excess of 60 million. The state is bordered by Rajasthan to the north, Maharashtra to the south, Madhya Pradesh to the east, and the Arabian Sea and the Pakistani province of Sindh to the west. Gujarat's capital city is Gandhinagar, while its largest city is Ahmedabad. Gujarat is home to the Gujarati-speaking people of India.

Gujarat Day aims to bring the community together and help create a voice of Gujaratis in Brampton and help promote the rich arts and culture of Gujarat. This day will be celebrated in Brampton with a flag raising ceremony which will have cultural dances and speeches from members of the local community.

THEREFORE: I, Mayor Patrick Brown, on behalf of Brampton City Council, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2024 as “Gujarat Day” in the City of Brampton.

Mayor Patrick Brown, City of Brampton