

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Australian International Islamic College

IN THE MEMORY OF THE
CHRISTCHURCH MOSQUE VICTIMS

Terrorism has no
Colour, Race and Religion

Vote of thanks delivered

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In the Name of God The Most Gracious The Most Merciful

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Honourable Graham Quirk Lord Mayor of Brisbane
Mr. Duncan Pegg Representative Premier of Queensland
Mr Ian Stuart Qld Police Commissioner
Mr Scott McDougal Anti- Discrimination Commissioner
Honourable Gary Hardgrave Former Minister for Multi-cultural Affairs
Mr Brad Taylor New Zealand High Commission Representative,
Representative of various Churches, Synagogues, Temples,
schools and colleges and the representative of Multi-faith forums and
multi-cultural affairs and various departments.

Assalamu' Alaikum WarahmatAllah Wa Barakatuhu

May God's peace and blessing be upon you all.

Today, we have been delighted of the diversities and individuals,
leaders and groups of various organisations, societies coming together
in solidarity, love respect and understanding to promote peace and
harmony among human families.

We thank you and we are truly grateful indeed.

Our coming together today is a clear proof of our concern for human
life.

- Our concern for human dignity
- And our concern for the safety and security for all mankind

Irrespective of our religious affiliation cultural and racial differences, our coming together is a great promotion of love, respect and understanding to celebrate our common humanity that is at the core of our diversity.

Ladies and Gentleman

The carnage of the tragedy at Christchurch was a clear proof to the entire world that terrorism has no colour, no race and definitely has no religion.

This devastation has brought us together in grief it has brought us together in our determination to fight the hatred with love and friendship.

As Justin Trudeau the Prime Minister of Canada has said “The light outweighs the dark” The good greatly outnumbers the evil,

- we see it when our citizens come together at vigils in the wake of tragedies,**
- we see it when strangers link arms to protect the places of worship.**
- We see it in their offers to walk with those who feel unsafe”**

The Prophet Mohammed SAW has said “You are not a true person of faith until you love one another than the Prophet asked, would you like me to tell you how you will love one another? He said it is to spread peace amongst you.

Distinguish guest ladies and gentleman please allow me to thank the people of New Zealand and Australia for their tears, flowers, the hugs the hakas the love and compassion.

Our special gratitude goes to The Right Honourable Jacinda Ardern Prime Minister of New Zealand for her remarkable leadership of the hour for holding us and the families close together we are very grateful for her efforts in kindness. Her symbolic donning of the head scarf gives us all hope that one day we will have a more peaceful and loving world.

I would like to thank everyone of you for taking the time off and gracing the occasion with your presence.

Finally, we turn to God the Almighty to pray for the victims, we ask to accept those who have been killed as Martyrs and give healing to those who have been wounded and to all the grieving families “Sabr”, patience and perseverance.

May we all find peace God bless you all

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