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To,
Toronto City Clerk and Members of Council

Subject: **Letter of Support for Motion MM 40.8 – Proclaiming April as Nepali Heritage Month**

Dear Members of Council,

On behalf of the Nepalese Blood Donors Association (NBDA) Canada, we are pleased to express our strong support for Councillor Neethan Shan's motion (MM 40.8) to proclaim April as Nepali Heritage Month in the City of Toronto.

As a not-for-profit organization dedicated to promoting voluntary blood donation and community service, NBDA Canada works closely with members of the Nepali community and beyond. We witness firsthand the spirit of compassion, cultural richness, and civic engagement that defines the Nepali Canadian community.

Recognizing April as Nepali Heritage Month is a meaningful initiative that honours the culture, history, traditions, language, and contributions of Nepali Canadians. It provides an important platform to celebrate Nepali arts and literature, while also acknowledging the invaluable social and economic contributions our community continues to make to the diverse fabric of Toronto.

Such a proclamation would foster greater cultural awareness, inclusivity, and unity among all residents. It would also inspire continued community engagement and volunteerism, values that are deeply embedded in Nepali culture and reflected in our work at NBDA Canada.

We respectfully urge City Council to adopt this motion and formally recognize April as Nepali Heritage Month.

Thank you for your time and for your ongoing commitment to supporting and celebrating Toronto's diverse communities.

With Best Regards,

Lila Nath Pandey
President, NBDA Canada

Deepen Rahut Chhetri
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