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Greetings from the Minister of Citizenship, Immigration and Multiculturalism

I would like to extend my warmest greetings to all those attending the Sankara Vedic Culture & Arts Inc., Canada July 1st celebration. On behalf of Prime Minister Stephen Harper, I would like

to thank Saveca Canada for your steadfast commitment to a diverse and prosperous Canada.

Canada Day is a time to gather and reflect on the blessings we enjoy in our lives here in our great northern Dominion. Coming together with friends and family, from coast to coast to coast, Canadians will unite in celebrating the strength of our pluralism and the success of our

democracy over the past 145 years.

It is a particularly poignant time for newcomers, who are now experiencing the warmth and openness of our society. They – like countless before them – want to contribute their all, for the betterment of Canada. As Prime Minister Harper noted: "Canadians are rightly proud of the fact that we are a nation of immigrants, people who have come from all corners of the earth and who have worked together to build one of the most peaceful and prosperous nations in human

history."

As Minister of Citizenship, Immigration and Multiculturalism, I commend the organizers for putting together this celebration. I wish you a most joyful day.

Happy Canada Day!

Sincerely,

The Honourable Jason Kenney, PC, MP

Minister of Citizenship, Immigration and Multiculturalism



