



Proclamation

Diversity Day

July 9, 2007

WHEREAS diverse communities and groups make up the population of Toronto where its residents come from over 200 countries and speak more than 100 languages and dialects, or belong to over 90 religious or faith communities. The City recognizes the unique status and cultural diversity of the Aboriginal communities and their right to self-determination.

The City of Toronto values the contributions made by all Torontonians and believes that the diversity among its residents has strengthened Toronto. Our diversity is celebrated, respected and this is evident among neighbourhoods throughout the City.

Appreciation and respect for diversity among Toronto residents creates a climate of understanding which places the people of our City in the forefront of efforts to ensure that everyone has the right to live in conditions of peace, dignity, respect, safety and harmony, and to be able to participate fully in the social, recreational, cultural and political life of the City.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor David Miller, on behalf of Toronto City Council, do hereby proclaim **July 9, 2007** as "**Diversity Day**".

Mayor David Miller