



Celebrating the 33rd Falun Dafa Day Anniversary **Request for a Flag Raising/Proclamation**

March 2025

Dear Mayor Michael Prue

In commemoration of the 33rd Falun Dafa Day on May 13th, 2025, for celebrating Falun Dafa spreading to the public, we respectfully request again a recognition in the form of a Flag Raising /lighting Up/greeting letter/Proclamation. This annual occasion pays tribute to the contributions of the Falun Dafa community in Canada—many of whom arrived here as refugees fleeing the persecution in China, and celebrates the values of Truthfulness, Compassion, and Forbearance. We truly appreciate our Mayor and City's long time wonderful support!

In 2024, we were very glad to have had 11 Canadian cities have flags-raising or lighting-up the landmarks to celebrate our Falun Dafa Day. We also received more than 100 supporting letters and/or proclamations from Canadian MPs, MPPs, Mayors, and City Councillors.

Originated from the autocratic communist China 33 years ago, along with 26 years' brutal persecution even with the horrific organ harvesting, [facing the transnational repression](#), the Falun Dafa community has endured, persevered and flourished peacefully. At the same time, Canadian Falun Dafa practitioners are proud to build our communities across the country and call Canada home.

The fight for freedom and integrity continues, as community members courageously fend off intimidation, threat, and dis-information campaign by the long-arm operation of China's communist regime that has infiltrated many aspects of Canadian politics and social life.

Here in Canada, Falun Gong volunteers have taught [free meditation exercises](#) that has helped thousands of Canadians improve their mental, moral and physical wellbeing, contributing to a more healthy and harmonious society.

We are genuinely grateful for the freedom, diversity and compassionate support received across the society. Year to year, the Falun Dafa communities have garnered worldwide recognition, including greetings and proclamations. By sending a greeting letter/video to mark the 33rd Falun Dafa Anniversary, you help affirm Canada's commitment to the values of Truthfulness, Compassion, and Forbearance, and to the upholding of human rights and freedom of conscience.

Should you have questions, please don't hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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4 enclosures below:

1. 13 Members of Parliament Join Practitioners in Celebrating World Falun Dafa Day at Parliament Hill <https://en.minghui.org/html/articles/2024/5/14/217684p.html>



2a. A short video of 'An Introduction to Falun gong' (6:35 min)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aJ-A6xY47jc>

2b. Flag Raising/Light-up Hosting Cities in 2024, and 13 MPs joined Ottawa Rally:

Saskatoon; Barrie; Cambridge; Cornwall; Orangeville; Orillia; Brighton; Brock; Scugog; Amherstburg; Nanaimo

For more information, please visit faluninfo.net

3. Greetings for Falun Dafa Month Celebration 2023(excerpt from 104 greetings):

“ it is the people that need to see the compassion, the tolerance, the love that is shared by Falun Gong every single day in every single way everywhere. And it will not be the bullies in China that will quash this spirit. It will be just like it is in Canada, democracy, the rule of law, and compassion prevails. When that changes you will be there to teach the world as you always have the values that you practice, “ **—MP Melissa Lantsman, Deputy leader of the Conservative Party, Rally speech 2024 Falun Dafa Day**

“Falun Dafa is an exercise that many more Canadians need to do. I thank you for sharing that with us. Because it is a way to promote a peacefulness within, but it also promotes a peacefulness within our country. And I think the more people who practice Falun Gong, the better we are as individuals, and the stronger our country is.” **—Hon. Judy Sgro, co-chair of the Falun Gong Parliamentary Friendship Group, Rally speech 2024**

“You preserve the beauty of China’s traditional culture, something that the communists have sought to distort and destroy. You preserve that culture and also advocate for human rights and justice. Indeed, you worked for the core Falun Gong principles of Truthfulness, Compassion and Tolerance.”

- MP Garnett Genuis, co-chair of the FalunGong Parliamentary Friendship Group, Rally Speech 2024

I greatly admire your promotion of truthfulness, compassion and tolerance, as well as your focus on the wellbeing of individuals in Canada. This is a day to celebrate compassion in society and to embrace the diversity that surrounds and defines us.

— MPElizabeth May, greeting message, Parliamentary Leader of the Green Party, greetingsfor 2024

“I would like to begin by saying how important your voices are to our government. I would like to also express my solidarity with Falun Dafa and with you all. — **Premier Danielle Smith, Letter of Greetings, 2024 Falun Dafa Day**



"I would like to extend a big thank you to the Falun Dafa community in Fredericton, for their dedication to promoting a more harmonious and healthy society. Thank you for your continuous efforts to encouraging tolerance and compassion and building a better world for all of us." –*Her Worship Kate Rogers, Fredericton, Letter of Greetings, 2024 Falun Dafa Day*

We also received greetings from:

MPs: Michael Cooper; Stephanie Kusie; Kerry-Lynne D. Findlay; James Bezan; Kevin Lamoureux; Marty Morantz; Raquel Dancho; Ted Falk; Anna Roberts; Colin Carrie; Dan Muys; Doug Shipley; John Brassard; Kyle Seebach; Marilyn Gladu; Philip Lawrence; Scott Reid; Yvan Baker; Pierre Paul-Hus; Richard Martel; Andrew Scheer; Cathay Wagantall; Warren Steinley; Mike Lake; Ziad Aboultaf; Blaine Calkins; Greg McLean; Len Webber; Pat Kelly; Rachael Thomas; Ron Liepert; Shuvaloy Majumdar; Tom Kmiec;

MPPs/MLAs: Carla Beck; Chris Glover; Doug Downey; Charmaine Williams; Andrea Khanjin; Rudy Cuzzetto; Brian Riddell; Mary-Margaret McMahon; Allan MacMaster; Ron Schuler; Rick Glumac

Mayors' Proclamation/Greetings: Ottawa; Calgary; Saskatoon; Fredericton; ; Kingston; Barrie; London; Cornwall; Port Coquitlam; Maple Ridge; Nanaimo; White Rock; Duncan; Kelowna; West Vancouver; Esquimalt; Port Alberni; Sechelt; Williams lake; Norris Point; Cape Breton; Brighton; Mississippi Mills; Cambridge; Belleville; LaSalle; Orillia; Leamington; Springwater; Orangeville; Amherstburg; Sarnia; North Bay; Chapple; New Tecumseth; Quinte West; Brock; Scugog; Collingwood;; Grande Prairie; Cold Lake; Red Deer; Banff; Coaldale; Pincher Creek; Rocky View

Councillors: James Pasternak; Brad Butt; Matt Mahoney; Mario G. Racco; Parthi Kandavel; Gian-Carlo Carra; Andre Chabot

4. About Falun Dafa:

[Falun Dafa](#) (also known as Falun Gong) is a spiritual practice rooted in the ancient schools of cultivation in China. It consists of meditative exercises, and a moral philosophy aimed at the promotion of virtue. At the core of Falun Dafa's teachings are the tenets of "Truthfulness, Compassion, and Forbearance." Practitioners of Falun Dafa aim to live in accord with these principles, taking them as a guide for daily life and practice.

Since Falun Dafa's public introduction in 1992, hundreds of millions of people from diverse cultural backgrounds in over 100 countries, including Canada, benefit from practicing Falun Gong, where the [free teachings](#) help people improve their mental, moral, and physical wellbeing and contribute to a more healthy and peaceful society.

On 20 July, 1999, the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) launched a campaign to eradicate Falun Gong. For the past 21 years, major human rights organizations, the United Nations, the U.S. government, and NGOs, etc. have extensively documented the nation-wide campaign of hatred, mass imprisonment, forced slave labours, torture, and killings of people who practice Falun Gong in China.

Millions of Falun Gong practitioners and their families have been torn apart. Countless practitioners have been killed for their vital organs that are being sold by the state. International legal experts say that crimes against humanity, and possibly genocide, have occurred. Practitioners and supporters in Canada continue to experience various kinds of intimidation and harassment and vilification by the CCP.

The Falun Dafa community, both within China and abroad, have endured these two decades of unimaginable adversity with resolute non-violence and persistence to uphold freedom and the universal values. This has garnered worldwide recognition, including thousands of greetings and proclamations from governments and officials.