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CELEBRATION OF PEACE AND REFLECTION DURING RAMADAN

Celebrating the values of compassion, reflection and commitment, Victoria's Muslim community has begun the holy month of Ramadan.

Chairperson of the Victorian Multicultural Commission (VMC) Mr Chin Tan wished the community a Ramadan Kareem – a blessed Ramadan.

“On behalf of the VMC, I offer my warmest regards to Australia's Muslim community during the holy month of Ramadan.

“The VMC acknowledges and celebrates the values of compassion, reflection and commitment that this holy month honours.

“Ramadan is also an opportunity for us all to take some time to reflect on the enormous contribution the local Muslim community makes to our social cohesion and vibrancy in Victoria.”

Mr Tan said many of Victoria's 153,000 Muslims will be observing Ramadan for the next 30 days.

“During Ramadan I have the great honour of joining many Islamic community groups at their official Iftar evening meal, and I am looking forward to forming new friendships and partnerships with this growing community,” he said.

“I hope that Victorians of all cultures and faiths take the opportunity to learn more about their Muslim neighbours during this month of peace and worship, and share their own histories and aspirations.

“Ramadan Kareem.”

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