



# THE CITY OF WINDSOR

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DREW DILKENS, DBA  
MAYOR

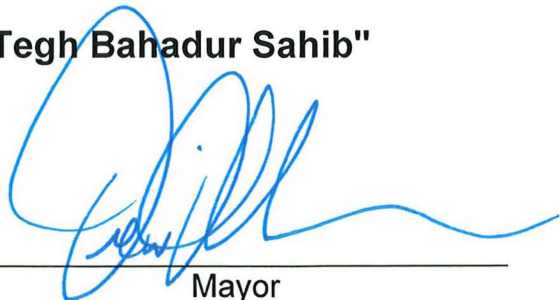
## PROCLAMATION

### **"350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib"** **November 24, 2025**

- WHEREAS:** Sikhism is a religion founded in the Punjab region of South Asia by Guru Nanak Sahib Ji, who laid the foundation for a distinct and unique monotheistic faith based on the principles of equality, freedom, and justice for all humanity; and,
- WHEREAS:** Sikhism is the fifth largest world religion with approximately 30,000,000 adherents from diverse backgrounds throughout the world, including more than 500,000 adherents in Canada; and,
- WHEREAS:** Sikh Canadians have lived in Ontario since the middle of the twentieth century, represent a growing and dynamic population and have made significant contributions to the growth and prosperity of Ontario; and,
- WHEREAS:** Sikh Canadians have made important contributions to the social, economic, political, and cultural fabric of the city of Windsor; and,
- WHEREAS:** 2025 marks the 350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the profound sacrifice of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib, the ninth Guru of the Sikhs, who is revered for his willing sacrifice of his own life to uphold the human rights of all and protect the diversity; and,
- WHEREAS:** In Windsor, the 350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib is an opportunity to honour his legacy and reaffirm the enduring need to uphold the values of pluralism, interfaith respect and human rights for all; and,
- WHEREAS:** The Windsor Sikh Community, in partnership with the City of Windsor is creating the Diversity Garden at Captain John Wilson Park to honour the legacy of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib;
- THEREFORE:** I, Drew Dilkens, Mayor of the City of Windsor, do hereby proclaim

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