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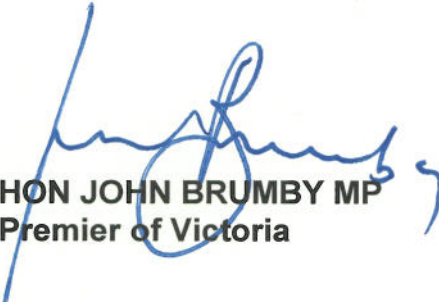
MESSAGE FROM THE PREMIER

It is with great pleasure that I send my best wishes to the Sikh Interfaith Council of Victoria (SICV) and the Sikh community of Victoria, on this special occasion celebrating the tercentenary of the Sikh holy scripture, Sri Guru Granth Sahib.

I commend the SICV for promoting greater awareness and understanding through open dialogue among the Sikh community and with the wider Victorian community. The universal principles of peace, equality, unity and fraternity are common to all faiths and intrinsically linked to our inclusive Victorian society.

The Victorian Government is committed to a society in which people of all backgrounds and faiths are encouraged to make their own unique contribution. We encourage all community groups to maintain, develop and share their cultural and religious heritage with one another to promote understanding and respect.

On behalf of the Victorian Government, I send the SICV and the Sikh community my very best wishes as you celebrate this important occasion.



HON JOHN BRUMBY MP
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