



Premier of Ontario - Premier ministre de l'Ontario

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## **A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE PREMIER**

On behalf of the Government of Ontario, I am delighted to extend warm greetings to everyone attending the Annual Gala Dinner and Tamil Harvest Festival, hosted by the Canadian Tamil Congress (CTC).

We are fortunate to live in a province enriched by cultural diversity — a diversity that gives Ontario both strength and vitality. I would like to commend the Tamil Canadian community for its role in enhancing that diversity — and for its many invaluable contributions to the social, cultural and economic life of our great province.

Thai Pongal — one of the most important dates on the Tamil calendar — not only celebrates a bountiful harvest, but it also marks a time of renewal and fresh beginnings. It is also a fitting occasion to join family and friends in recognition of the many joys that a strong and caring community brings to its members.

On this festive occasion, please accept my best wishes.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Dalton McGuinty'.

**Dalton McGuinty**  
Premier