



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL
MAYOR

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Dear Friends:

As Mayor and on behalf of the City of Chicago, I extend my warmest greetings to the Lahore Committee of Chicago Sister Cities International and Consul General Faisal Niaz Tirmizi.

Ramadan is a time for thoughtful reflection, fasting and devotion. It is also an opportunity to strengthen family ties, help those less fortunate, and show compassion towards our neighbors. Tonight's Iftar dinner is an opportunity to celebrate Chicago's Muslim community and to commemorate the many ways in which in the Pakistani community has left its mark on our great city. Chicago shares a long history of friendship and cooperation with the people of Pakistan, and since 2007, Chicago has enjoyed a strong sister city relationship with Lahore. I am grateful for the continued contributions made by the Pakistani and the greater Muslim communities to help our city grow.

I congratulate the Lahore Committee of Chicago Sister Cities International, led by Dr. Tariq Butt, on hosting a successful Iftar dinner. I offer my best wishes to each of you for a meaningful and blessed Ramadan.

Sincerely,

Mayor