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To Whom it may Concern

During the Holy month of Muharram, Shia Muslims around the world mourn the martyrdom of Imām Husayn (a) who was the grandson of Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him). Imām Husayn (a) along with his family and followers were martyred brutally by Yazid on the 10th day of Muharram (the first month of the Islamic Calendar), known as the day of `Āshūra.

This year, the day of `Āshūra will be commemorated on Thursday August 19th, 2021. `Āshūra Day and the preceding evening are very solemn times, when Shi'a Muslims attend ceremonies to commemorate the tragedy of Imām Husayn (a). The Jaffari Community Center will be holding an all-day program, on this date, to mourn the martyrdom of Imām Husayn (a). The commemorative ceremonies are held for ten nights, culminating on the eve and the day of `Āshūra. Shia Muslims refrain from going to work on this day and spend the day in religious activities.

On behalf of the members and their families, the Board of Directors of the Islamic Shia Ithna-Asheri Jamaat of Toronto, requests that students and any employee be excused from their daily activities to join the community in religious activities.

We would appreciate your support by marking this day off for religious activities and not as a day missed from work or school. Please do not hesitate to contact us for any information.

Thanking you in anticipation for your understanding and cooperation.

Yours Truly,

Hassanabbas Mohamedali

Secretary, Islamic Shia Ithna-Asheri Jamaat of Toronto

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