



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
NEW YORK, NY 10007

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Dear Friends:

It is a great pleasure to welcome everyone attending the International Bangla Festival 2010!

New York City is the place the world calls home—an international metropolis where people speak nearly 200 languages and stand side by side in mutual respect. Our City thrives on the contributions of organizations like the Muktaadhara Foundation, which, since its inception, has protected and promoted Bangla language, culture, and heritage. Our diversity defines and strengthens us, and this week's festival is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the many contributions that Bangladeshi-Americans make to our City's cultural fabric.

I am proud to join the members of the Muktaadhara Foundation and all Bangladeshi-Americans as they celebrate the International Bangla Festival 2010. On behalf of the City of New York, I offer my best wishes for an enjoyable week and continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Michael R. Bloomberg'.

Michael R. Bloomberg
Mayor