



June 5th, 2019.

To Whom It May Concern,

RE: Letter of Support for South Asian International Expo for Surrey

It is my pleasure to write a letter in support of the proposal by Alex Sangha to develop the South Asian International Expo for Surrey, at Bear Creek Park. I am certain this event will stimulate tourism in the entire region and showcase the diverse fabric of this City.

Surrey is known Canada wide for its diversity, which we proudly celebrate. It is reported that approximately 40 % of our population is South Asian, thus making this an opportunity to learn about the diversity and diaspora of South Asia. The South Asian International Expo for Surrey would further hearten the entrepreneurial and innovative spirit of Surrey. Citizens, businesses, and arts groups would be able to work collaboratively and build connections within the community, all while adding to the economic success of Surrey.

It is my belief that Surrey can be a leader on the world stage for cultural diversity, entrepreneurial spirit and innovation, the arts, and peace and harmony. As a collective, we strive to build a community that the upcoming generation will be inspired by. Thus, the South Asian International Expo for Surrey would be an exceptional addition to our City's history and collective efforts.

Again, I am proud to offer my support along with for the South Asian International Expo for Surrey. Please feel free to contact me at 604-597-8248 or Harry.Bains.MLA@leg.bc.ca if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

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