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## Message from National Chief Perry Bellegarde Bicentenary of the Baha'i Faith

Greetings to the Baha'i Community of Canada!

It is my honour as National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations to send my best wishes to the Baha'is of Canada and the entire Baha'i community around the world on the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Baha'u'llah, the Founder of the Baha'i Faith. This is a milestone worth celebrating!

On behalf of all First Nations, I would like to thank the Baha'is of Canada for supporting First Nations inherent and Treaty rights. Baha'u'llah taught the importance of unity and justice among all peoples regardless of their race or faith. This message resonates deeply with First Nations peoples, as witnessed by the many First Nations people that are part of the Baha'i community.

I look forward to working together with the Baha'is of Canada as we walk together towards a new era of peace, justice and reconciliation.

Best wishes for a memorable and enjoyable celebration.

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