



In The Name Of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

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## Statement of Condolences for victims of Ukraine Flight PS752

**“Surely we belong to Allah and to Him is our return” ~Qur’an [2:156]**

Bismillahir rahmanir rahim

On behalf of the Board of Directors, scholars, teachers, volunteers and community members of the Islamic Institute of Toronto I wish to express our deepest sorrow at the tragic loss of lives resulting from the crash of Flight PS752 in Tehran, Iran.

We acknowledge that the past few days have been traumatic for members of the Iranian community in Canada, especially in Alberta and Ontario.

We have listened to and read many stories of families whose loved ones have perished: of a couple who had recently gotten married; of a religious tour guide from Markham, Ontario; of students who were returning to Canadian universities to complete their studies - all whose lives were lost, leaving behind grieving relatives.

Some of those who perished were known to our community members - the dentist of one of our scholars, the friend and work colleague of one of our youth leaders, and I am sure others who we will know about in the coming days.

We cannot remove your grief, but we can offer you words of comfort and support. We want you to know that your tragedy has touched all of us and reminded us of the fragile nature of life itself. We want you to know that we are here to support you in your time of need.

May Allah grant you patience and comfort at this time of grief, and may He grant your departed ones with rewards commensurate with His Mercy and Compassion.

Fareed Amin, Chairman IIT