



Premier of Ontario - Première ministre de l'Ontario

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A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE PREMIER

On behalf of the Government of Ontario, I join Canadians of Tamil descent and Tamil communities around the world in commemorating the events of Black July in 1983.

History is a great teacher — for those who are open to its lessons. That is why today, you pause to remember the victims of violent acts against Tamils. We also remember the lives lost and displaced in the Sri Lankan Civil War that followed. I offer my heartfelt sympathies to those who mourn loved ones who perished in this devastating conflict.

Reports of hate crimes in North America and around the world serve to remind us that we must remain ever-vigilant against all forms of bigotry and intolerance.

Occasions such as this are opportunities to learn from the lessons of history and pass the light of knowledge to the next generation.

Know that my thoughts are with you on this day of remembrance.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathleen Wynne". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kathleen Wynne
Premier