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Greetings from the Prime Minister

As Christians around the world celebrate Assumption Day, I am delighted to extend my heartfelt greetings to all Canadians observing this blessed occasion.

The feast day of the Assumption of Mary is a joyous occasion for Christian communities across the country. Marking the ascension of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven, it is a time to celebrate the fulfillment of the promise made by Jesus to all his faithful servants and the redeeming power of faith.

Canada is blessed with a diverse and devout Christian community, which forms an integral part of our country's rich heritage. As you observe this special feast day, you are honouring values and traditions that strengthen our social fabric.

On behalf of the Government of Canada, please accept my warmest wishes for a joyous celebration.

God bless,

*The Rt. Hon. Stephen Harper, P.C., M.P.
Prime Minister of Canada*