



### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we endure and do our best to enjoy the cold winter days, the wonderful news is that in only 50 days and 50 nights, spring will be here where we celebrate the Fasli Norouz on **Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 11:33am (EST)**. The significance of the 50 days and 50 nights is that they total 100, which in Farsi one hundred translates into "SAD".



The SADEh celebration held annually on January 30<sup>th</sup> is also referred to as the festival of fire, where the light and warmth of the fire is celebrated with food, drinks, with prayers around an outdoor bon fire. Although for the second year in a row we were regrettably unable to celebrate this beautiful festival, Kanoun organized an online version of the celebration.

We truly appreciate your patience and understanding during these difficult times where the MGDM has been following the government lockdown rulings and procedures.

To maintain the Darbe Mehr, we continue to depend on funds gathered through membership fees and through donations. We understand that since you are not physically using the MGDM building, you may be asking yourself, "why should I renew my ZSO membership this March 2022?" The simple answer is that we truly need your membership and support to continue as the ZSO. It is impossible for the community to move forward and flourish for our children and grandchildren with your individual and family memberships.

If you are finding it difficult to renew your membership online at [www.zso.org](http://www.zso.org), please contact me at [president@zso.org](mailto:president@zso.org) or 905-707-0819 and I will personally guide you OR send you the "old fashioned" membership form where you can mail in a cheque. We aim to have our community still thriving for another 50 years where we can celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of the ZSO in 2071!!

The ZSO has also started raising funds for Ervad Jehanbux Chhithiwala who is a 52-year-old Mobed practicing at Banaji Atash Behram as he requires significant medical expenses covered. Thanks to our members who have contributed and supported this cause, as we have thus far collected over \$8000 of our goal of \$15000. With your kind heart, we hope to reach our goal by February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, where the money will be sent to the World Zoroastrian Organization (WZO).

The ZSO is looking for a new Secretary for the remainder of the 2021/2022 Term. If you or someone you know is interested – please reach out directly to [president@zso.org](mailto:president@zso.org) and [secretary@zso.org](mailto:secretary@zso.org) for further details. Now is your time to get involve and encourage our youth to step into a board role.

On a final optimistic note, the 12<sup>th</sup> World Zoroastrian Congress is set to be held on **July 1-4, 2022**, in New York City. Please visit [www.FEZANA.org](http://www.FEZANA.org) for more details and early registration.

*Wishing you all Tan-Dorosti,  
Mitra Jam, ZSO President*



## MGDM Re-Opening – Reminder of Vaccination Policy

We want to take this opportunity to remind everyone that vaccines are safe, effective and the best way to protect you and those around you from serious illnesses like COVID-19. You will need to provide proof of vaccination to access MGDM, helping further protect our community from COVID-19 and the Delta variant.

- All individuals visiting the MGDM will be required to provide proof of vaccination, or a negative COVID-19 test to participate in an event or a drop in visit.
- Individuals must NOT come to the MGDM (drop in visit or event) if they are sick (any illness – not just limited to COVID-19)
- Those who remain unvaccinated will NOT be able to participate in In-Person activities.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, your health and safety has been our top priority. Thank you to each of you who has done your part in helping to support a healthy and safe environment for all.

The Board of Directors  
Zoroastrian Society of Ontario

## Winter Donation Drive - December 13th, 2021 to January 6th 2022

***"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."***  
- Winston Churchill

This year, the ZSO Youth Committee came together to celebrate the holiday season with the thought of giving back to the less fortunate through a mega winter clothing drive.

We were delighted to see the positive response towards the drive. The donations were given to 3 shelter homes in Toronto namely Sistering Women's Shelter, Native Men's Residence and Value Village. A big thank you to each and every one who contributed to the winter donation drive, every donation does a lot for the community. [Sistering Women's Shelter](#) & [Native Men's Residence](#) provides meals, showers, laundry, clothes and much more to marginalized men & women in Toronto. During the winter, these clothes will be used and appreciated by people who are in need.



The committee will have more donation drives in the future and want to know from you, what you would like to see planned.

Please message the ZSO youth on Instagram or Facebook. Also, for more news on our upcoming events and updates, please follow us on: Instagram - ZSOYOUTH & Facebook - ZSODM

Report Submitted by: Sharmin Mistry





## Zoroastrianism Recognised in US Congress

During the November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 sitting of the US 117<sup>th</sup> Congress – Honorable J. Luis Correa – extended the following remarks about the Zoroastrian Legacy:

### *HONORING THE TIMELESS ZOROASTRIAN LEGACY*

*HON. J. LUIS CORREA*

*of california*

*in the house of representatives*

*Tuesday, November 30, 2021*

*Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to issue this recognition of "Timeless Zoroastrian Legacy" to all Zoroastrians for their extraordinary contributions to history and civilization, in pioneering the first universal human rights, world democracy, abolishment of slavery, and freedom of religion. The Zoroastrian legacy has greatly influenced the American founding fathers, the American Constitution, and the design of the Statue of Liberty.*

*Please join me in recognizing the remarkable contributions of the Zoroastrian community in the United States and throughout the world.*

The official document can be found [here](#) and is also attached as part of this Newsletter.

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## Upcoming Maintenance at MGDM

Your Board is working towards repairing the pavement at the MGDM grounds that includes the driveway from Creekside to Bayview. As members may be aware, this work is long overdue and extensive. The House and Garden Committee is working closely with the Board to obtain quotes and complete the work this year.

If you have any questions about the work or suggestions for obtaining quotes and/or referrals for companies that you feel are competent to perform the job at a competitive and fair price to ZSO, please contact Mehrnaz Dehmiri at [assttreasurer@zso.org](mailto:assttreasurer@zso.org) or Kersi Khambatta at [goldkk101@hotmail.com](mailto:goldkk101@hotmail.com) as soon as possible.

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## Condolences

**Khorshid Bahramshahi**, on January 21<sup>st</sup> in Toronto. She was the wife of Goshtasb Kavousi and the mother of Parvin, Parviz, Firoozeh and Farahnaz Kavousi. May she rest in peace and condolences to her family.

**Dara Phiroze Wadia**, on January 18<sup>th</sup> in Frisco, Texas. Dara is survived by his ex-wife Shirin, daughters Pouroochisti (and Yazdi) and Lily (and Kaiomarz), son Meherwan (and Naomi), grandchildren Daryus, Vahishta, Rohan, Farha, Karina, and his brothers Homi, Keki (and Gool) and Sam (late Behroze); nephew Arzan and niece Mehernaaz.

**Dowlat Farvardin**, on January 17<sup>th</sup> in Toronto. She was the beloved mother of Mahnaz & Mehran Torki and grandmother to Nozar & Nikzad Kianian Fard and Rostam & Manijeh Torki. May she rest in peace and her memories stay with us forever.



## Newsletter Requests

Please note that the deadline for receiving submissions for the ZSO newsletter is the 20<sup>th</sup> of each preceding month. Any materials received after this date will be published on a best-effort basis.

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**اشتودگات - یسن ۲۹ - بند ۲**

سپس آفریدگار جهان از اشا پرسید: چه کسی را برای رهبری جهانیان می شناسی که همراه و پشتیبان او باشیم که بتواند با کوشش در آبادگری جهان بکوشد. و چه کسی را برای سروری فواستاری که بتواند هواداران دروغ و فشم را دور کند.

**۱۸ فوریه، جشن اسفندگان خجسته باد!**

میشن اسفندگان بر همه بانوان شاد باد!



هرسال به مناسبت این جشن در مهر گردهم می آمدیم و جشنی را به این مناسبت برگزار می کردیم، اما با توجه به شرایط کنونی و محدودیت های بهداشتی کووید-۱۹، امکان برگزار این جشن به صورت مضموری وجود ندارد. به امید این که سال دیگر آن را مانند همیشه برگزار کنیم. با گردهم ایی های خانوادگی و کوچک این جشن را در بین خود زنده نگه دارید و به یکدیگر شادباش بگویید.

**به روان همه درگذشتگان درود باد****ایرستانم اورانو یزه منیده**

به مناسبت پُرسه همگانی اسفند ماه برای یادبود درگذشتگان، با توجه به شرایط کنونی و محدودیت های بهداشتی کووید-۱۹، مراسم اوستافوانی به صورت مجازی و از کانال یوتیوب انجمن زرتشتیان انتاریو در **ساعت ۶:۰۰ پسین شنبه، ۱۲ فوریه** برگزار خواهد شد.

یاد و خاطره همه درگذشتگان گرامی باد.

برای اعلام نام درگذشتگان، لطفاً مداکتر تا تاریخ ۱۰ فوریه با فام ها فورشید زند (416-553-0226) و بیتا شکبیا (416-871-9593) تماس بگیرید.

به این مناسبت می توانید فیراندیشی های خود را به صورت آنلاین یا چک به انجمن بفرستید.

برای شرکت در این برنامه در این روز به نشانی یوتیوب انجمن مراجعه نمایید: <https://www.youtube.com/c/ZoroastrianSocietyofOntario>

**میشن نوروز**

هموندان انجمن از مدتی پیش تلاش خود را شروع کرده اند تا با توجه به شرایط اگر ممکن باشد جشن نوروز را مانند گذشته برگزار کنند. متأسفانه به دلیل دگرگونی های غیرقابل پیشبینی که به دلیل همه گیری کووید ۱۹ به وجود می آید، برنامه ریزی بسیار سخت است. اما همگی همیاری کنیم تا بتوانیم در صورتی که این امکان وجود داشت، بعد از مدتها دیدوبازدید داشته باشیم.

بنابر آنچه که تاکنون مشخص شده است، جشن نوروز در روز **یکشنبه ۲۰ مارچ ۲۰۲۲** در Fontana Gardens Banquet Halls برگزار خواهد شد. جزییات بیشتر را به زودی به آگاهی فوایم رساند، تا آن زمان این روز را بر روی تقویم خود مشخص کنید.



## بازگشایی درمهر مهربان گیو

مدتی می شود که با توجه به شرایط، درمهر در روزهای دوشنبه و چهارشنبه از ساعت ۴ تا ۸ پسین و روزهای شنبه از ساعت ۹ صبح تا ۱۲ ظهر باز می باشد. برای ورود به درمهر لازم است که برفی شرایط از جمله رزرو روز و ساعت و نیز داشتن مدرک واکسن و ... رعایت کنید. برای جزئیات این شرایط به تارنمای انجمن (<https://www.zso.org/covid-19-updates>) مراجعه کنید. به امید این که هر چه زودتر به شرایط معمول گذشته برگردیم، اما تا آن زمان و هر چند با برفی محدودیت ها، بسیار مناسب است که رفتن به درمهر را در برنامه خود بگذارید و هر مدتی یکبار به درمهر بروید.

## نزدیکان و فویشان خود را به پیوستن به انجمن برانگیزید

با پرداخت مق عضویت خود، هم انجمن را از نظر مالی پشتیبانی کنید و هم این که هم‌اوری خود را با انجمن و جامعه نشان بدهید. مق عضویت خود را می توانید به صورت آنلاین از تارنمای انجمن یا با فرستادن چک و پر کردن فرم مربوط پرداخت کنید. فرزندان تان که به فوشمالی بزرگ شده اند و زندگی جدیدی تشکیل داده اند و دوستان و آشنایان خود را برای پیوند به انجمن از راه پرداخت مق عضویت برانگیزید.

### پشتیبان مالی انجمن را به یاد داشته باشید

به دلیل وضعیت موجود در پیوند با ویروس کووید-۱۹، محل درمهر و انجمن هنوز به شکل کامل بازگشایی نشده است. با توجه به عدم حضور افراد در محل درمهر، کمک های خیراندیشی نیز کاهش یافته است، در حالی که هزینه های ثابت انجمن و درمهر باید پرداخت شوند. امیدواریم مانند همیشه پشتیبانی و کمک شما اعضای انجمن ادامه داشته باشد. کمک های مالی خود را با فرستادن چک یا پرداخت آنلاین ادامه بدهید.

انتقادهای، نظرها و پیشنهادهای خود را با کانون فرهنگی زرتشتیان ایرانی با ایمیل [kanoun@zso.org](mailto:kanoun@zso.org) در میان بگذارید.

با پیوستن به گروه تلگرامی کانون و آگاهی رسانی درباره آن به دیگران، از برفی اخبار و برنامه ها آگاه شوید.  
<https://t.me/zsokanoun>

## مناسبت ها و رخدادهای ماه گذشته با سپاس از همه افرادی که در برگزاری این مناسبت ها همازوری کردند.

ضبط شده این برنامه ها را می توانید در این آدرس ببینید: <https://www.youtube.com/c/ZoroastrianSocietyofOntario>

### م جشن سده برگزار فواهد شد

این جشن در تاریخ شنبه ۲۹ ژانویه ساعت ۷:۳۰ پسین از کانال یوتیوب انجمن پفش فواهد شد. جشن سده در آخرین روزهای ماه ژانویه، زمانی فواهد بود که متن فبرنامه برای آماده سازی برای انتشار فرستاده شده است. جشن سده بر همه شاد و امیدواریم که در زمان پفش برنامه همگی بیننده آن باشید و به امید این که سال آینده جشن سده را با افروفتن آتش در درمهر برگزار کنیم.



### م جشن بهمنگان برگزار شد

این جشن در روز شنبه ۶ ژانویه از کانال یوتیوب انجمن به صورت مجازی برگزار شد. برای این جشن ابتدا موبد کرمان کاتراک اوستا فواندند و در مورد ویژگی های این جشن از نظر دینی و تاریخی گفتگو کردند. جشن بهمنگان در پیوند با بهمن امشاسپند است که این ایزد نگاهبان میوانات سودمند است. در ایران این جشن به نام روز پدر نیز نامگذاری شده است. با سپاس از موبد و افرادی که در برگزاری و پفش این جشن یاری کردند.



امیدواریم هرچه زودتر مانند گذشته جشن ها را با گردهم ایی برگزار کنیم.

### گاهنبار میدیایم گاه برگزار شد

گاهنبار میدیایم گاه از کانال یوتیوب انجمن زرتشتیان انتاریو در روز یکشنبه ۲ ژانویه برابر با رشن روز و دی ماه زرتشتی برگزار شد. این برنامه با اوستافوانی توسط موبدیار بهرام ورجاوند اجرا شد. ضبط شده این برنامه را می توانید از یوتیوب انجمن ببینید. با سپاس از موبد و افرادی که در برگزاری و پفش این گاهنبار همازوری کردند.



### رفداده

درگذشت فورشید بهرامشاهی را به فویشان و نزدیکان آن روانشاد آرامش باد گفته و برای بازماندگان تندرستی و دیرزیوی آرزومندیم.  
درگذشت دولت فروردین را به فویشان و نزدیکان آن روانشاد آرامش باد گفته و برای بازماندگان تندرستی و دیرزیوی آرزومندیم.

## Coffee Chat with International Zoroastrian Youth – Farzana Khambatta



***“You can do anything you put your mind to! Do not let fear put doubt in your mind– go for it, try, and if you fail that is ok. Pick yourself up and try again! If you succeed, then look around you and see who needs a helping hand!” – Farzana***

Hi Farzana! Welcome to our coffee chat and we’re excited to have you as our sixth guest in this series. You are our first guest from Down Under!

**Can you please tell us a bit about yourself?**

*I was born in Bombay, India and moved to Perth with my parents, Mahrukh and Firoz Pestonji and my brother Arzan in the early 90’s. I am the eldest of 3 siblings and I have 2 younger brothers Arzan and Shazan (who was born in Australia). All of us are engineers, as is my dad and I am also married to an engineer, Ross.*

*I am currently working as a Senior Consultant in the (Worley) Advisory team, and I thrive on developing Worley’s Energy Transition projects. I am a process engineer with ~14 years of experience in the oil and gas industry. I graduated from Curtin University with a double degree in Chemical Engineering and Finance and have worked in both design offices, and on-site in construction and commissioning roles.*

*I am also currently the Chairperson of WISE (Women in Subsea Engineering & Energy), which is a not-for-profit organisation run by volunteers that aims to achieve gender equity through growing the profile of women in STEM roles. Within Worley I am also the co-chair of Women of Worley (WoW) for the state. As a woman from a STEM and technical background, I am passionate about promoting women in leadership and STEM based roles which is why I dedicate so much of my time for these causes.*

*Finally, I am a mother of two, my son is 8 and my daughter is 5 years old, and in my (little!) spare time I enjoy reading, dancing, baking, and spending time with family and friends. I also cannot wait to be able to travel again!*

**Having grown up in Western Australia and not having a sizeable Zarathusti population how do you manage to get the members to attend the events? Also, what kind of functions do you all normally have in Perth? Has Covid affected any of that since Australia has kept its international as well as state borders mainly shut? Do you ever have joint events with the Sydney, Melbourne, Auckland organizations?**

*The Zoroastrian Association of WA (ZAWA) – was founded in 1997 (25 years ago!). As both my parents were instrumental in the creation of this association, I too have been involved in ZAWA in one way or another over the years! Most of the Zoroastrians who have been living here, have all at some stage (and in some cases numerous times) volunteered to be a part of the committee which really helps to bring different ideals and new initiatives into the community – this in turn encourages participation from the members.*

*We also have a Business Association of WA (BAWAZ) this was created in 2012 by my father, to cater for more business orientated aspects such as holding industry speaker sessions and engaging with like-minded entrepreneurs and professionals. BAWAZ also hosted the 11<sup>th</sup> World Zoroastrian Congress (11WZC) in Perth 2018. This was the 1<sup>st</sup> time the Zoroastrian congress for adults has been held in the southern hemisphere!*

*The associations hold functions such as Navroze, Parsi New Year, various Jashans and Ghambars, lunches/dinners, picnics, quiz nights, and the list goes on. In the past we used to also have a ZAWA chronicle, prayer learning sessions, children’s classes and activities, talent concerts/nights, a ZAWA library, cooking classes for the youth, etc.*

*Covid has affected some events, however in Western Australia we have been living in our own “bubble” of sorts and things have been good in that life has been normal with some restrictions here and there etc. Initially in 2019 some events did have to be cancelled or postponed in line with the rules, but everyone agreed this was for the best.*



*Apart from the 11WZC there haven't been too many other joint functions that I'm aware of apart from the 4<sup>th</sup> World Zoroastrian Youth Congress in 2006/7. I was, recently part of a team of Zoroastrians from all over Australia and New Zealand that were trying to create FEZAO (The Federation of Zoroastrian Associations of Oceania). The aim of this federation was to be an umbrella body to foster more open dialogs, information sharing and collaborations between the various organisations in the Oceania region, however sadly this idea has been shelved for the time being. I hope that one day we can have our own overarching federation in our region so that we can have a combined voice like FEZANA and others.*

**You were heavily involved in the organization of the 11<sup>th</sup> World Zoroastrian Congress back in 2018, can you tell us more about your role and the congress itself? Your father, Mr. Firoz Pestonji was the Chair of that Congress, would you say he inspired and encouraged you and others to get involved? Have you attended any of the other Congresses since then? Will you be attending the next edition to be held in New York City this July?**

*Yes, I would say that my dad (and mum) inspired and encouraged the dedicated team that were involved! For BAWAZ to win hosting the Congress in Perth was a big feat indeed, as it is a small organisation when compared to others not only in Australia but also worldwide.*

*When BAWAZ had initially submitted the proposal to host the event, we had asked the other associations in Australia if they would like to assist in organising the congress or to host it in their own states (which have larger populations of Zoroastrians living there). We had support from the other organisations, however none of them were keen to take on the responsibility of hosting the event at the time. It was through determination, vision, working together and good leadership that empowered the 11WZC team, to not only win Perth the privilege of hosting the Congress but to ensure it was a huge success also!*

*I was heavily involved with the organisation of 11<sup>th</sup> WZC in Perth. I was part of the core team that ultimately made the final decisions as well as leading various mini projects of my own such as: social media marketing and website creation, program management and logistics, procurement of giveaways and souvenirs, creation and editing the Congress Souvenir book, overall budgeting, and costings, as well as being one of the 4 ladies who MC'd the event over the 3 days.*

*I REALLY want to attend the 12<sup>th</sup> WZC in July this year. If you had asked me pre-Covid, the answer would have been a resounding yes, as I am sure the 12<sup>th</sup> WZC team will do a fantastic job in creating a memorable event. Unfortunately, however, I am unsure if this will be possible now due to the strict government rulings around Covid restrictions – let's see what happens...*

**You were on the Entertainment Committee for the 4<sup>th</sup> World Zoroastrian Youth Congress in Melbourne in 2006/2007, can you tell us your personal experience and the overall feedback of that congress? Any highlights from that edition? We'll be hosting the next WZYC right here in London, UK in 2023!**

*The 4<sup>th</sup> WZ Youth congress was great fun, although in saying, that I unfortunately didn't get to attend many of the actual talks and seminars as I was helping in the background. I was part of a group of girls from Perth who made up the entertainment sub-committee. The group worked for about a year (or more) before the Congress meeting every month or so and we had planned, budgeted, and thought of every aspect of the entertainment part of the event!*

*When we arrived a few days before to set things up (we traveled from Perth to Melbourne), everything was mainly done from our end. Having spare time, we then set about helping in other areas such as registrations, coordination etc., and that was where we had lots of fun meeting with other youth from around the world.*

*I would recommend that all Zoroastrian youth attend at least one (if not more) Zoroastrian youth congresses - it is also so much fun, as you get to hear from various leaders who help to explain and history and culture, as well their views on topical subjects!*

**Your work for the community doesn't stop there, right – you are also a part of BAWAZ (Business Association of Western Australia), previously part of the ZAWA Committee, and WISE (Women in Subsea Engineering and Energy)! Working full time and being a mum with two young kids, how do you find the time and drive to do community work?**

**The Drive:**

I guess being involved in community work, is a fundamental part of who I am. Be it within the Zoroastrian and Indian community or for women groups within the engineering industry, I am passionate about giving back. From a young age, I have seen my parents involved with the Perth Zoroastrian and other local Indian communities... I guess that has shaped my values, goals and aspirations.

My parents also started their own business Perth Maxi Charters & Aussie Perth Tours, when I was in high school and on the weekends and holidays, I would help them with it. Working in the family business has given me an opportunity to learn key skillsets at a young age, which have helped me throughout my life. I was raised with an entrepreneurial way of thinking and balanced my engineering background; I have a novel problem-solving mindset. I love being able to create, organise or deliver something which is novel or different by collaborating with a diverse group of people from all walks of life, I love being able to constantly learn from, as well as help others all while making new connections in the process.

I have always been involved in various teams, clubs and activities throughout my life. In high school I was selected to be in the student leadership team, the debating team and was also chosen to represent my school in a student exchange program which only picked 2 girls and 2 boys from the year group. In university I was a part of various student bodies including DESI the Indian Student body where I was the treasurer, as well as part of a dance troupe that performed Bollywood dancing stage shows to raise money for various orphanages in India. Once I started working, I put my hand up to join the social club, and this is also when I volunteered to be part of the ZAWA committee. As the years have gone by, I have also held various roles within the BAWAZ committee - I was the secretary for several years and I am currently the treasurer.

**The Time:**

There is a lot of multitasking going on! I am constantly juggling many things at a time, but I guess it is about prioritising what is important and getting that done. I must also say that I am also very grateful that I have a supportive husband and family that helps and empowers me to be able to do my extra activities too. But like anything, “if there's a will there's a way”, right? I love doing these things, so I find a way 😊

**Lastly, what message do you have for our young members reading this and in what ways can they make an impact?**

I really loved the tag line the team created for the 11<sup>th</sup> WZC Perth, which was “Together, towards tomorrow” I believe that we all need to work together today, so that our futures are brighter tomorrow. I feel that this tag line can be applied to everything in life.

I would also say, (and I say this to my children too!) you can do anything you put your mind to! Do not let fear put doubt in your mind– go for it, try, and if you fail that is ok. Pick yourself up and try again! If you succeed, then look around you and see who needs a helping hand!

**Thank you so much Farzana, for your time and amazing work you do for the community. You are such an amazing role model for our future youth!**





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## *House of Representatives*

Tuesday, November 30, 2021

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### HONORING THE TIMELESS ZOROASTRIAN LEGACY

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*Mr. Correa: Madam Speaker, I rise today to issue this recognition of “timeless Zoroastrian Legacy” to all Zoroastrians for their extraordinary contributions to history and civilization, in pioneering the first universal human rights, world democracy, abolishment of slavery, and freedom of religion. The Zoroastrian legacy has greatly influenced the American founding fathers, the American Constitution, and the design of the statue of liberty.*

*Please join me in recognizing the remarkable contributions of the Zoroastrian community in the United States and throughout the world.*

Sincerely,

LOU CORREA  
Member of Congress



# ***RESUMING FEB 7TH WEEKLY YOGA EVERY MONDAY***

6:30 - 7:15pm on Zoom

*Special Thanks to all Weekly participants !*

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# ZOROASTRIAN SOCIETY OF ONTARIO

3590 BAYVIEW AVENUE, TORONTO, ONTARIO M2M 3S6

## MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership Application: ☐ Renewal ☐ New Member

Membership Year April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 - March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023

### Membership Category/Fees

<input type="checkbox"/> Family	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> Student	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior	<input type="checkbox"/> Family senior
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\$100	\$60	\$30	\$30	\$50

### Applicant Information

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☐ I have reviewed the ZSO Constitution & Bylaws\* and agree to abide by them (\*available on the ZSO website [zso.org](http://zso.org))

**NEW MEMBERS must be introduced by two ZSO members in good standing and approved by the ZSO Board of Directors (BOD).**

#### Existing ZSO Member

Print Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

#### Existing ZSO Member

Print Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Approved by the ZSO BOD

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