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Vedic Cultural Center/Anandamela Celebration

**Re: Anandamela Greetings** 

To Whom It May Concern,

I am pleased to extend my warm greetings to all the attendees of Anandamela - Joyful festival of India. Anandamela is the largest Festival of India in the Pacific Northwest drawing over 25,000 visitors every year. Anandamela seeks to present the cultural heritage of India in an enriching, educational and fun experience of the whole family.

Apart from the performances of various forms of Indian music and dance, the festival also includes quintessential facts of Indian culture, such as delectable Indian cuisine, arts, crafts, educational games, contests, cooking demos, hands on activities for all ages, and many other fascinating exhibits.

I applaud Vedic Cultural Center and its dedicated volunteers for organizing this grand festival to demonstrate an understanding and admiration of Indian culture in our community successfully for many years. Thank you for building cultural bridges through these grand community festivals and helping to build a strong united community.

My best wishes for a successful event!

Warm Regards,

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