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Support for the 2008 Goan Convention

Namaskar,

We are privileged to invite you to the 2008 International Goan Convention from July 23-27, 2008 at the University of Toronto: Mississauga, in Ontario, Canada.

Since the previous convention exactly 20 years ago in 1988, in Toronto, the Convention has remained the premier social and cultural forum for the Goan community in the Diaspora.

Generations of Goans converge to connect with each other and celebrate their Goan identity in a family environment, marked with joyous social, cultural and educational events. For our Goan youth, this presents a great opportunity to embrace the rich cultural inheritance that comes with being an international Goan and enrich their Indo-Western heritage.

You and your family can look forward to five fun-filled summer days, where fine arts, intellectual discussions, entertainment, educational workshops and palate-tickling Goan cuisine are just the beginning. Then there's the International Convention Ball, Global Goan Idol, etc. The downtown Toronto Area offers the treasures of the CN Tower, the exquisite art galleries in the GTA, the Royal Ontario Museum, the Rogers Centre, the Air Canada centre, the Hockey Hall of Fame, the Ontario Science Centre, Casa Loma, and of course the awe inspiring Niagara Falls.

We expect between 3,000 and 5,000 participants to register for this Convention. While the registration fees cover a portion of the overall costs for the venue, food and entertainment, the remainder is covered by the generous donations of members of the community such as you. The success of this Convention depends on your kind contribution.

Enclosed is a schedule of benefits provided to key donors. We are happy to provide you with any additional information that you may require.

We look forward to your participation in the Convention and do recognize and greatly appreciate your support & generosity.

Thank you,

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