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I am delighted to convey my warmest greetings and congratulations to the members of the Old Students' Association of Madya Maha Vldyalayam as you take part in "Kalatheepam99."

One of the strengths of the Canadian social fabric is the degree to which the many groups which make up our cultural diversity maintain their individual characteristics, while at the same time contributing to a strong and harmonious Canada. Our country has grown and prospered largely due to the fact that it made welcome men and women from all parts of the world. They joined together in a common cause -- to make Canada their home -- and it is their skills, hard work and vitality which have created a flourishing and vibrant country.

Please accept my best wishes for a most enjoyable event. May you have every success in meeting the challenges of the future.

Jean Chiefun

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