



Greetings from the Governor

July 27-28, 2019

I am pleased to extend warm greetings to all of those attending Ananda Mela – Joyful Festival of India.

Ananda Mela is the largest festival of India in the Pacific Northwest, drawing over 20,000 visitors each year. Ananda Mela seeks to present the cultural heritage of India in an enticing, educational, and fun experience for the whole family. Apart from the performance of popular forms of Indian music and dance, the festival also includes quintessential facets of Indian culture, such as delectable Indian cuisine, arts and crafts, educational games, magic shows, cooking demos, and many other fascinating exhibits.

I applaud the Vedic Cultural Center for putting on this festival in order to demonstrate an understanding and admiration of Indian culture in our community. Our state has a prominent presence of persons of Indian origin, serving diverse functions in society.

Thank you all for coming, and please accept my best wishes for a memorable event.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jay Inslee".

Jay Inslee
Governor

