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Message from President Michael D. Higgins

At the conclusion of the holy month of Ramadan, as you prepare to celebrate Eid al-Fitr, may I send my congratulations and best wishes to all members of the Islamic community in Ireland.

In normal circumstances, Ramadan is a time when Muslims around the world can come together, to celebrate with their neighbours and loved ones, in mosques and cultural centres.

This year, as the covid-19 virus has forced the closure of so many public spaces, I hope that Ramadan can be an opportunity to reflect on our common humanity and our shared dependence, as the Islamic community has to try and celebrate its identity in a physically separated, but spiritually united, fashion.

Over the past number of months, our resolve as a nation has been tested and, as President of Ireland, I take heart from the countless demonstrations of solidarity between people of all backgrounds and their fellow citizens. May I thank the Islamic community in Ireland for its valuable contribution in this regard and send you my best wishes for your health and happiness in the year to come.

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Ag deireadh mí naofa Ramadán, agus sibh ag ullmhú chun Eid al-Fitr a cheiliúradh, ba mhaith liom comhghairdeas a dhéanamh le gach duine de mhuintir Ioslamach na hÉireann agus mo dea ghuí a sheoladh chucu.

De ghnáth, ag Ramadán tagann Moslamaigh ar fud an domhain le chéile, chun ceiliúradh a dhéanamh lena gcomharsana agus a ndaoine muinteartha, i moscanna agus in ionaid chultúrtha.

I mbliana, agus an méid sin áiteanna poiblí dúnta, tá súil agam gur deis é Ramadán machnamh a dhéanamh ar ár ndaonnacht choiteann agus ár n-imspleáchas agus an mhuintir Ioslamach ag déanamh iarracht a bhféiniúlacht a cheiliúradh ar chaoi atá scartha go fisiciúil ach aontaithe ó thaobh na spiorad de.

Le cúpla mí anois, tá dúshlán le sárú againn mar náisiúin, agus, mar Uachtarán na hÉireann, tugann an chabhair atá le tabhairt ag daoine de gach cúlra dá gcomhshaoránaigh misneach dom. Ba mhaith liom buíochas a ghabháil le muintir Ioslamach na hÉireann as ucht a gcúnamh, agus guím sláinte, sonas agus gach rath oraibh sa bhlian atá romhainn.

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