



**The Corporation of the City of Burlington
Office of the Mayor**

PROCLAMATION

- Whereas** Shri Mataji Nirmala Devi, born on March 21, 1923, was a spiritual teacher, guru and positive role model who devoted Her life to the betterment of humanity and the upliftment of human consciousness; and
- Whereas** Shri Mataji founded Sahaja Yoga, a unique system of meditation that has touched the lives of millions of people worldwide and brought peace, joy, and spiritual awakening to countless individuals; and
- Whereas** Shri Mataji's teachings and message of love, compassion, and unity have inspired generations and continue to serve as a beacon of hope and a source of strength and comfort for people around the world; and
- Whereas** We call upon all Sahaja Yogis, friends, and well-wishers to gather in Burlington to celebrate the life and legacy of this exemplary spiritual teacher and exceptional woman with an immense sense of inclusion and collectivity that transformed the world around Her; and
- Whereas** On Shri Mataji Nirmala Devi's 100th birthday, let us come together in joy, gratitude, and remembrance to honor Her teachings and acknowledge Her profound impact on the lives of so many with Her gift of Self-Realization to Humanity; and
- Whereas** Hereby inspired by Her legacy, we affirm our commitment to carrying forward Her message of love, compassion, and spiritual awakening for generations to come.
- Therefore** I, Marianne Meed Ward, Mayor of the City of Burlington, do hereby proclaim **March 21st, 2023** as:
- "100 Year Celebration of The Festival of New Beginnings"***
- and do commend its thoughtful observance to all citizens of our municipality.

Dated this 21st day of March 2023



Mayor Marianne Meed Ward
