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SAQUIB KHAN

IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I
CONGRATULATE THE **PASHTOON ASSOCIATION OF
NEW YORK** AND ITS PRESIDENT NISAR KHAN FOR
WORKING HARD TO ORGANIZER THIS ASSOCIATION.

PASHTOONS HAVE A VERY COLOURFUL CULTURE
AND DISTINCTIVE HISTORY. WE NOW HAVE AN
OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE OUR CULTURE AND
TRADITIONS TO NEW YORKERS THROUGH CULTURAL
AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS. AS A PROUD
PAKISTANI AND A PASHTOON, I WISH ASSOCIATION
WELL IN ALL ITS ENDAVOURS THAT PROMOTE THE
CAUSE OF OUR MOTHERLAND PAKISTAN AND ITS
PROUD PASHTOON SONS AND DAUGHTERS.

JOY AND HEALTH TO ALL PAKISTANI 'S LIVING IN
USA LONG LIVE PAKISTAN.

ROBERT G. TORRICELLI
NEW JERSEY

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Pashtun Cultural Institute
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Dear Friends:

I would like to extend my congratulations to the Pashtun Cultural Institute. I regret that I cannot be here today, but I welcome this opportunity to share my thoughts with you.

The Pashtun Cultural Institute has done a tremendous service in promoting Pathan culture as well as Pakistani American issues over the years. You have brought a great deal of respect and equality to the Pakistan American community over the years. In addition, your culture and language programs, coupled with the organization's vast charitable contributions have provided a forum for Pakistani American issues.

I hope that you will continue to promote your culture in New York and New Jersey, and the entire United States. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your heritage with those closest to you and educate us all on Pathan culture.

Congratulations again on this tremendous occasion. I look forward to more good news from the Committee in the future. It is steeped in the rich traditions of that faith and has attracted millions of disciples throughout the world. It is an honor to say that Pashtun Cultural Institute is now an integral part of the American mosaic.

Sincerely,



ROBERT G. TORRICELLI
United States Senator

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VITO J. FOSSELLA

October 7, 1999

Dear Friends:

I would like to congratulate the Pashtun Cultural Institute for its commitment to promoting the ideals of community and friendship throughout Brooklyn and across New York. The goal of any organization is to enrich the lives of those it serves, and from what I am told, the Pashtun Cultural Institute is dedicated to strengthening the bonds of friendship among all people. By focusing on community, the Pashtun Cultural Institute has helped to educate countless New Yorkers on the unique culture and heritage of the Pakistani people.

I wish you continued success in achieving those important goals.

Sincerely,

Vito J. Fossella
Member of Congress

Asia Society

The Asia Society has an abiding interest in Pakistan, and a long history of programming on issues related to this part of Asia. My colleagues and I are pleased to co-host the upcoming program in New York of the Chief Minister of the Northwest Frontier Province of Pakistan, the Hon. Sardar Mahtab Admad Khan. We look forward to working together with the Pashtun Cultural Institute and other sister organizations to further knowledge of Pakistan, its current issues and its past history.

- Nicholas Platt, President, The Asia Society