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Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim

In the name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful.

Ya Ali Madad and Happy New Year! Let us reflect on the following excerpt and quotation of Rumi from the speech of Noor Mowlana Hazar Imam made at the foundation ceremony of the Ismaili Centre, the Aga Khan Museum and their park in Toronto on May 28, 2010 (Source: [AKDN.org_Speech Archive](http://AKDN.org_Speech_Archive)):

"The new Toronto Museum will take as its theme the concept of light — suffusing the building from a central courtyard, through patterned glass screens. From the outside, it will glow by day and by night, lit by the sun and the moon. This use of light speaks to us of the Divine Light of the Creator, reflected in the glow of individual human inspiration and vibrant, transparent community.

As the poet Rumi has written:

"The light that lights the eye is also the light of the heart... but the light that lights the heart is the Light of God."

In preparation of the upcoming Diamond Jubilee of Noor Mowlana Hazar Imam, let us make 2017 the Year of Higher Spiritual Enlightenment. Let us pray to Noor Mowlana Hazar Imam to bless all of us with drops of Light into our spiritual hearts. The spiritual heart in each person is the representative of the soul, thus these luminous drops will start to illuminate and purify the ego, the vital, the mind and the body. The precise process is to usher Light into each cell of one's body through intense dhikr. This is the proven mechanism to eliminate all types of darkneses in our own personal world. This purification process will bring greater peace, light, delight and awareness within ourselves and will increase our aspiration to reach our own spiritual and luminous potential in the field of Higher Spiritual Enlightenment. Let us start today because time is short and the journey is long!

May NOOR Mowlana Shah Karim Al-Hussaini Hazar Imam (a.s.) grant peace, prosperity, happiness, barakat, higher spiritual enlightenment, spiritual & luminous tayid (help) and empowerment to you, your family, your Jamat and the worldwide Jamat! Ameen.

Haizinda — Qayampaya
(Our Present Imam is Living and His NOOR is Eternal)



In the Ismaili Tariqah, the Imam's Ta'lim lights the murid's path to spiritual enlightenment and vision.

Hazar Imam's prayer (July 11, 2007):

"And I pray that you may live in peace and with spiritual enlightenment to guide you."

Hazar Imam's Bombay Nov. 27, 1973 firman:

"So do not let time pass without being aware that once it has passed, it is gone for ever. This is something you should all keep in mind."

Rakh Mowla je Noor te Yaqeen (Certainly, we trust in Mowla's Light only),
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