



Message from His Worship Mayor Don Iveson



On behalf of City Council and the people of Edmonton, Alberta's Capital City, I extend greetings to readers of the *2016 Edmonton Bichitra* magazine.

Edmonton takes great pride in the cultural diversity of its citizens – it's the thread that weaves our social fabric. Our Bangladesh community is a vibrant, long-standing pillar of our city with valuable contributions in areas of business, arts and sports. As a voice of Edmonton's Bangladesh community, the *2016 Edmonton Bichitra* magazine highlights the events and accomplishments of the Bangladesh Heritage and Ethnic Society of Alberta (BHESA) and helps foster friendship and understanding among our many diverse communities in Edmonton.

I'd like to thank the BHESA for continuing to promote the colourful traditions and heritage of Bangladesh. Our city's cultural diversity is one of our greatest assets and helps make Edmonton a truly remarkable place to live.

Best wishes for a happy and healthy 2017!

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Don Iveson'. The signature is fluid and stylized, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Don Iveson
Mayor