

Date: March 6, 2026

To: Ontario Trillium Foundation

Re: Letter of Support for Devi Mandir Auditorium Renovation and Elevator Modernization Project

On behalf of Ajax Crematorium Centre, we are pleased to offer our support for the proposed auditorium renovation and elevator modernization project at Devi Mandir.

Devi Mandir serves as a central hub for the Hindu community in Durham Region, hosting programs, gatherings, and educational sessions that extend beyond religious worship. Many families served by our crematorium rely on Devi Mandir as a trusted space for community engagement, cultural education, and information sessions regarding funeral planning and related services.

The auditorium provides a safe and accessible environment for seniors, families, and multi-generational community members to participate in educational and cultural programming. Modernizing the elevator will ensure equitable access for individuals with mobility challenges, and renovating the auditorium will enhance safety, functionality, and comfort for attendees.

We recognize the critical role Devi Mandir plays in supporting the needs of the broader Durham Region community. Investment in this project will strengthen accessibility, inclusivity, and the Mandir's capacity to host programs that benefit families and community members across the region.

We respectfully encourage the Ontario Trillium Foundation to support this important initiative.

Sincerely,

*Puneet Aujla*

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