

# THE CITY COUNCIL OF MONTREAL DECLARES SEPTEMBER 1, 2004 IN HONOR OF 400<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE COMPILATION OF THE GURU GRANTH SAHIB

## MOTION

### Recognition of Montréal's Sikh Community And the 400th Anniversary of the compilation of the Guru Granth Sahib

*Considering that the Sikh community was one of Montreal's pioneering communities, which contributed to the social, economical and cultural development of this city;*

*Considering that the year 2004 mark the 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the compilation of the Guru Granth Sahib, the Holy Bible of the Sikhs;*

*Considering that this event will be celebrated all over the world on September 1, 2004;*

*Considering that the Guru Granth is a symbol of religious, racial and regional tolerance because it contains the Scriptures of the Muslims, Hindus, high and low Castes Saints belonging to the different regions of India and Pakistan;*

*Considering that in 1999, the Federal Government issued a postage stamp to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the arrival of the Sikhs in Canada and their undeniable contribution to the advancement of this country;*

*It is*

*Proposed by the Mayor of Montreal, Gerald Tremblay  
Seconded by the Leader of the Official Opposition,  
Pierre Bourque*

*That City Council declares September 1, 2004, a day in homage of Montreal's Sikh community and in honour of the compilation of the Guru Granth Sahib.*

*Through this motion, the City of Montreal renews its commitment towards its cultural communities of being an inclusive, just, fair and open city for Montrealers of all origins.*

*Jacqueline Leduc,  
City Clerk*

*Gérald Tremblay,  
Mayor*

*(Note: This achievement was due the efforts of Prof Pavitar Singh Bhandhari supported by the Institute for Understanding Sikhism, and all the Gurdwaras of the Greater Montreal.)*



(L to R) Mr Pierre Bourque, Marcel Tremblay, Ravinder Singh, D'Souza, Devinder Singh Chahal, Mayor Gerald Tremblay, Kashmir Singh Randhawa, Balvinder Singh, Surjit Singh Kainth, Daljit Singh, Pavitar Singh Bhandhari, Jaswinder Singh Rana

