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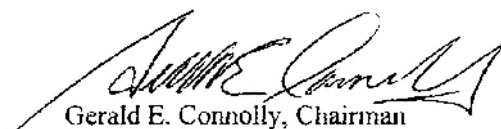
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On behalf of the more than one million citizens of Fairfax County I am delighted to welcome you to the Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Center's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner. Covering nearly 400 square miles of land, Fairfax County, by population is the largest jurisdiction both in the Commonwealth and the Washington metropolitan region. If it were a city, Fairfax would rank 11<sup>th</sup> in population nationwide—larger than Boston, Atlanta or Charlotte. Fairfax is a culturally diverse community that greatly commends the work and contributions of organizations such as the Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Center who work tirelessly to provide opportunities for all citizens. We are honored to host such an outstanding group of individuals and hope that you will find your evening here most enjoyable.

Sincerely,



Gerald E. Connolly, Chairman  
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