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Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee
Stamp Development
United States Postal Service
1735 North Lynn Street, Room 5013
Arlington, VA 22209-6432

Re: Request for Stamp Issue

Dear members of the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee:

I am writing to you on behalf of

We are writing to your distinguished committee to support the request for consideration of a first class USPS stamp to recognize a Sikh religious holiday. Americans proudly support the recognition of Christmas, Hanukkah, Eid, and Kwanzaa commemorative stamps. These are days important to all citizens in this multifaith nation. We would like for Sikhs to be also able to share in this honor.

Our schools and institutions recognize the religious holidays of many of our citizens today. Sikhs came to this country over one hundred years ago and share the same cherished values. The Sikh faith is the fifth largest religion in the world and has values of equality, freedom of choice of religion, and justice. There are Sikhs all over the United States, and they are well-established and represented through many organizations, and form an active part of the multi-faith national community.

In addition to the creation of an annual commemorative stamp for a Sikh holiday, we also support the request for the forthcoming celebration in 2008 of the 300th anniversary of the dedication of the Siri Guru Granth Sahib (the Sikh scripture), as consideration for a special issue.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Yours sincerely,