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PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS:** The cultivation of Tao is a central tenet of East Asian cultural heritage and plays a powerful role in addressing societal challenges; and
- WHEREAS:** The cultivators of Tao, including those at I-Kuan Tao Chong De School and Chong De Cultural & Educational Temple, exemplify dedication to community well-being through education, leadership, and volunteer service; and
- WHEREAS:** I-Kuan Tao Chong De School, established in 2016 as a Ministry of Education–approved religious institute, celebrates its tenth year of educational service and the completion of the Grand Auditorium of the White Water Saint; and
- WHEREAS:** The I-Kuan Tao Chong De School Research Achievements Conference, to be held on Saturday, December 27, 2025, provides a meaningful forum to share scholarship, deepen dialogue, and strengthen cross-cultural understanding; and
- WHEREAS:** This year’s program will include conferment of alumni certificates, musical offerings, and a keynote address by Prof. Sébastien Billioud, Professor of Chinese Studies at Université Paris Cité, Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations (UFR LCAO), French Research Institute on East Asia (IFRAE), and Senior Member of the Institut Universitaire de France (IUF); and
- WHEREAS:** The city of Cambridge is enriched by the leadership and service of I-Kuan Tao Chong De School and Chong De Cultural & Educational Temple, whose efforts foster inclusion, collaboration, and the flourishing of individuals and communities;

Now, therefore, I, Sumbul Siddiqui, City Councillor of the City of Cambridge, do hereby extend congratulations and best wishes to I-Kuan Tao Chong De School on the occasion of the Research Achievements Conference at the Grand Auditorium of the White Water Saint and commend all organizers, educators, students, and volunteers for advancing scholarship, cultural understanding, and civic good.

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