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Muslim Council of Calgary
Immediate Press Release
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Dear community members,

As we have all heard, the province of Alberta, today, introduced further health measures to curb the spread of COVID19 in communities with high cases of infections including Calgary. These measures affect a wide range of restrictions in schools, workplaces, funerals, and worship places among others. The restriction limits the number of worshippers allowed to only fifteen people. This includes Imams and Hufaz's as well.

Given this limited number, and for the safety of our congregation and the public in general and to help curb the spike in COVID19 cases, the Muslim Council of Calgary (MCC), had to make a tough decision. Starting tomorrow, May 5, 2021 all MCC Mosques, Mussallas and centers in the city of Calgary will no longer be open to the public until the public health restrictions are lifted. Worshippers are asked to refrain from coming to mosques and offer their prayers at home.

Tonight (Tuesday May 4, 2021) Isha and Taraweeh prayers will go on as usual and will be the last Jammaa prayers until further notice. The same applies to Jumaas and other prayers. This announcement will also be made at all the centers this evening as well as on social media platforms of MCC and all centers. Please stay connected for the latest news and updates.

Brothers and sisters, this is not a decision we take lightly specially during these holy days of the last ten nights of Ramadan. We all know these are the best of nights in which laylat Alqader falls. Even though we cannot pray together, we encourage you to keep your prayers, supplications and worship to Allah that he may lift this pandemic away from us and bring us back together in his houses of worship safe and healthy.

We look forward to seeing you all shoulder to shoulder as soon as possible. May Allah protect you all!