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EID MESSAGE FROM OUR PARTY LEADER

EID-UL-FITR is a time of happiness and celebration after a month of fasting for the sake of Allah. This year Eid-ul-Fitr celebrations will be very different for Muslims around the world affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. As we rejoice we must also reflect on the conditions of Muslims and the oppressed throughout the world.

The Coronavirus has emptied Islam's holiest sites at the most sacred times of the Islamic year. Muslims in various parts of the world are not only battling to FIGHTBACK the Coronavirus, but are also besieged by imposed wars, poverty and homelessness. During the month of Ramadaan we increase our ibaadat on the core values of Islam such as prayer and giving charity which encourage us to seek the mercy of Allah and increase our strength to fight off any adversities.

The Party's current charity project is providing PPEs to community workers and toekamaanies/ghasiels.

Muslims have a proud history of resistance against oppressive laws which prohibited and restricted the practices of Islam. Since 1994 many Muslims were elected to Parliament but are not necessarily representing Muslims neither a voice for Muslims.

AL JAMA-AH is the only Muslim political party represented in National Parliament and in the Western Cape Legislature.

AL JAMA-AH is vociferous in raising the rights of Muslims and to redress the unjust laws of the former apartheid regime on Muslim Nikah and other issues affecting Muslims. The Party will continue to call for the recognition of a Statutory Structure for Muslims on Civil Society and for one Ulema body representing all Muslim religious bodies with an African leadership. We have taken the first steps to draw up a directory of Muslim organisations and for the recognition of Muslim Personal Law and Muslim Nikah.

As we celebrate this blessed occasion of Eid, we call on Muslims to continue to obey the Disaster Management Lockdown Regulations. May Allah bring you happiness and prosperity on the day of Eid-ul-Fitr – EID MUBARAK.

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