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***Mayor Steven M. Fulop & Councilman Ramchal to Celebrate with
the Sikh Community in a Hot Meal Drive: Volunteers to Serve
5,000 People Across Shelters in the Tri-State Area***

JERSEY CITY – Mayor Steven M. Fulop and Ward B Councilman Khemraj “Chico” Ramchal will join the **Sikh** community for a celebration of the birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Sahib Ji, the founder of the Sikh religion during the “**Let’s Share a Meal**” event, which serves more than 5,000 people across various shelters in the tri-state area, from **9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.** on **Saturday, November 15th.**

“I am proud to join the Sikh community in a celebration of not only their religion, but of community service,” said **Mayor Fulop**. “This event brings to light the importance of equality amongst our community members despite race, religion or creed, as well as the meaning of volunteerism. I encourage all able residents to participate in the ‘Let’s Share a Meal’ daylong event in their community.”

In its fourth year, Nanak Naam Jahaj Gurudwara of Jersey City is organizing the ‘Let’s Share a Meal’ event, which brings the Sikh community and local officials together to deliver food to shelters in an effort to establish equality, and to encourage volunteer service (*Seva*). This year, the organization is partnering with the Mayor’s Office on the effort. The food will be prepared in the Jersey City Sikh temple, located at 1080 Westside Avenue in the community kitchen (*Langar*), an integral part of all Sikh temples, where volunteers will cook, wash utensils and serve food to all who visit throughout the day.

Guru Nanak Sahib Ji, the first Sikh spiritual teacher, was born in the year 1469 in the Punjab region of Indian Subcontinent. Guru Nanak traveled throughout the region and world promoting equality, diversity, compassion, honesty and tolerance, which became the core principles of Sikhism.

For more information on the program, please contact Nanak Naam Jahaj Gurudwara (Sikh Temple) at 201-432-1122 or Onkar Singh at (201) 726-6362 or Mahendra Singh at (609) 216-5403.

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