GREETINGS:

It is my pleasure to unite with Bangladesh Association of Delaware Valley and the commonwealth’s Bangladeshi community to recognize the occasion of Bangla New Year.

The commonwealth is comprised of rich, vibrant, and diverse communities that provide its citizens with a wealth of knowledge and culture about the world in which they live. The Bangladeshi community is an integral part of Pennsylvania and it has contributed greatly to our diversity by sharing its history, heritage, and time-honored traditions.

As we celebrate Bangla New Year, the Bangladeshi communities should feel an immense sense of pride and accomplishment when reflecting upon their service and contributions. They should look forward to new opportunities ahead and spending quality time with loved ones during this special occasion. The musical, performance, and culinary traditions of these festivities commemorate ancient customs, and the participation of younger generations ensures that these wonderful traditions will continue for many years to come.

As Governor, and on behalf of all the citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, I am honored to join with everyone in observing Bangla New Year and I offer my best wishes for a joyous and remarkable celebration.

TOM WOLF
Governor
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