

## **Muslim Community Center of the Capital District**

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Subject: Notice of MCC Banquet Hall Re-opening

As-salamu Alaykum,

This memo is in regard to the "Notice of Moratorium on MCC Banquet Hall Closure" issued May 2023, where the MCC Board announced the closure of the MCC Banquet Hall for any external events until further notice. We understand that the closure of the MCC Banquet Hall had an impact on some of the community members who were planning to host their events here.

The MCC Banquet Director and staff left when the MCC was closed and for the past few months, both ICCD BOT and the MCC Board have been working together to explore various options to reopen the MCC Banquet Hall to continue serving the community's needs.

At our November 2023 ICCD General Body meeting, it was announced that we are planning a soft launch of the MCC Banquet Hall in February 2024 (subject to availability) and a grand reopening after Eid-ul-Fitr. During the soft launch, we will try out our new MCC Banquet Hall team, which will be responsible for managing MCC events going forward. Since this is a completely new team, we'll utilize any events scheduled this month for training and familiarize them with the MCC facility. However, the position for taking bookings for the events is still vacant and we are actively searching for someone to fill the role. Please let us know if you know anyone in your circle who might be interested in this position. As a reminder, MCC will be closed for Ramadan toward the end of February and will officially reopen for external events after Eid-ul-Fitr.

We are currently taking soft bookings on a first-come, first-served basis to block dates for anyone planning their events after Eid-ul-Fitr at MCC. If you would like to inquire about the availability of a date for a tentative booking, please email: events@mccalbany.org.

Please note that any booked dates at this point are tentative and not confirmed. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation during this time. We are confident that by working together, we can reopen the MCC Banquet Hall to continue providing the community with the option to host their future events at MCC.

Sincerely, MCC Board of Directors