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Happy Holi! Thank you for your gracious invitation to join today's celebration. I have attended previous celebrations and am really sorry I could not be with you today. The Festival of Color is about coming together to celebrate spring, with friends both old and new. It's also about celebrating new ideas, new cultures, and new traditions.

It is exciting to see that an ancient celebration, which originated in India and Nepal, has reached across the globe and is now embraced by so many. This is just one example of the rich cultural diversity that we enjoy here in Redmond and the rest of the 48th Legislative District.

I want to thank the Vedic Cultural Center of Sammamish for putting on today's event, as well as the City of Redmond for its support.

Happy Holi!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patty Kuderer".

Patty Kuderer
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