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Opening remarks from Dr. Ghahary, Co-Founder & President of the Persian Culture Foundation

The Persian Cultural Foundation has been established to initiate, encourage and support community projects and cultural activities, which promote and showcase Persian cultural heritage and bring about national recognition to this heritage.

The PCF is committed to preserving and promoting our cultural heritage in science and technology, art and literature, medicine and health, music and performing arts, and trade. The PCF is further committed to the passage of this rich heritage to future generations.

As the President of this organization, I feel obliged to pay our tribute to Simin Behbahani who is the greatest lyricist of the contemporary era. Simin is a phenomenal poet whose poetry has gone beyond the frontiers of Iran and has gained global and universal recognition for her and for our country. Her love of mankind has made her poetry penetrate into our hearts. Her struggle for freedom and democracy and her devotion and dedication to amity and solidarity and her resentment for hostility and animosity make her unique in her style. Simin is an outstanding social poet who portrays her social milieu and conditions in the period in which she has lived. We salute this lady of honor and integrity for her wisdom, ethics and morals and wish her more strength to continue her fight against injustice and inequality.