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**FROM THE OFFICE OF
GOVERNOR GEORGE V. VOINOVICH
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SALAMU ALAIKUM!


My wife, Janet and I are pleased and honored to extend our warmest greetings to Imam Abdul Mounem Al Khatab, the officers and members of the Islamic Council of Ohio on the occasion of your annual State Conference, hosted by the Islamic Center of Greater Toledo and Perrysburg, October 8, 1994.

Ohio is proud to be called home by many people of who trace their ancestry to Arab lands — individuals who contribute daily to the vast social fabric of America and to the quality of life in the State of Ohio. This office recognizes the importance of the rich cultural heritage and family values which are passed along to future generations through the many Arab-American social, cultural and religious organizations.

I would like to acknowledge and recognize Dr. Mazhar Jalil, President, other officers and the member organizations of the Islamic Council of Ohio for their contributions to the success of this conference, entitled "Muslims as Neighbors," and for contributing to the multicultural diversity of the State of Ohio. Special recognition is extended to Professor Sulayman S. Nyang, from Howard University, for sharing his expertise as keynote speaker.

On behalf of all Ohioans and my dear friend Mr. Mohamed Michael Akrouche, a member of my Cabinet, best wishes for a most enjoyable and productive conference.

On this 8th day of October, 1994;


George V. Voinovich
Governor

