

Niagara Foreign Trade Zone Office In Fort Erie Now Open

First Region In Ontario To Be Designated By Federal Government; Boost Expected For Economy

NIAGARA: The Niagara Region celebrated the opening of the Niagara Foreign Trade Zone (NFTZ) office in Fort Erie, Ontario.

Regional Chair Alan Caslin, joined by municipal, provincial and federal dignitaries, and members of Niagara's business community, unveiled the new location on April, 9 with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Located at 660 Garrison Rd., the NFTZ storefront gives companies that conduct business internationally greater access to support services and information on trade-related government policies and programs.

The NFTZ is a partnership between Niagara Region and the Niagara Development Corridor Partnership (NDCP Inc.), an incorporated consortium of the Niagara Falls, St. Catharines, Welland, Port Colborne, Fort Erie and Lincoln's economic development officers.



NFTZ and Niagara Regional officials at the opening of the zone.

Niagara is the first region in Ontario to be designated a Foreign Trade Zone Point by the Government of Canada. This designation gives industrial manufacturers access to certain tariff and tax incentives that can boost competitiveness and help them

grow. Companies within Niagara Region can transfer goods into Canada, tax tariffs and duty-free while producing and manufacturing products for final export to other countries and avail of FTZ programs and specific regional incentives.

"I am pleased to announce the opening of the Niagara Foreign Trade Zone office in Fort Erie. This office provides businesses a single-point of access to information and other helpful resources. Niagara Region Council is committed to fostering an environ-

ment that allows our companies to compete and succeed on the world stage." Alan Caslin, Niagara Regional Chair

Niagara's central position, high-quality infrastructure and supportive business climate make the region an ideal location to invest. The NFTZ supports Regional Council's established strategic priorities that aim to create a more prosperous Niagara for residents and businesses.

Jayesh Menon, representative of Niagara's foreign trade zone, said the new office provides a "one-stop window" for companies to learn about and take advantage of the tax and duty advantages that an FTZ designation brings with it. "We provide access to a variety of business support services, educational facilities, mentorship, advice and more. It's all about international trade."

For more information visit www.nftz.ca

Priya Dutt To Speak On Nargis Dutt Foundation Work

TORONTO: Ms. Priya Dutt - a former Member of Parliament in India and chairperson of the Nargis Dutt Foundation - will deliver a lecture on May 2, 2018, at Carleton University.

Ms. Dutt's lecture will focus on health and education related challenges in rural India and the impact that the Nargis Dutt Foundation has had since its inception in 1981. Since 2004, the Foundation has been conducting regular medical camps in the slums of Mumbai, working with cancer patients and Tata Memorial focusing on women and children both in health and education.

Event Details: Date: May 2, 2018
Time: 6PM - 7:30PM: Location: Room 2017 (20th floor), Dunton Tower, Carleton University. Seating is limited. While the

lecture - Free, there will be a fundraising Dinner: 7:30PM @ Thanjai Restaurant (with minimum donation of \$150)

Priya Dutt is the daughter of two Indian icons: Nargis and Sunil Dutt.

Priya's greatest influence in her life has been her father, Sunil Dutt. Her turning point in life came in 1987 when she accompanied her father on a 78 days peace march from Mumbai to Amritsar, covering a distance of over 2700 kms with a message 'Give Peace a Chance'.

It was a time when the country especially Punjab was under a cloud of violence and communal discord. This walkathon gave her unforgettable insights into the real India, which touched her heart deeply.

Priya has been a Member of Parliament for two terms and during this time she



played a very important role in uplifting the needs of the poor, empowering women and improving health for her constituen-

cy and beyond. She is also the trustee of ADAPT (formerly Spastics Society) and works towards the rights of the differently-abled. She believes no child should lose a life or be unable to pursue an education due to lack of funds. Priya Dutt has been a voice for the voiceless and is passionate about making a difference.

Priya was elected for the first time to the 14th Lok Sabha from Mumbai North West constituency in Maharashtra on 22 November 2005, representing the Indian National Congress party.

She represented the Mumbai North Central constituency in the 15th Lok Sabha from 2009. In the 2014 Indian general election, she was defeated by Poonam Mahajan of the BJP by a margin of around 1.86 lakh votes



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