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**MM11/23 WELCOME TO PRIME MINISTER OF INDIA - SHRI  
NARENDRA MODI - Mayor, Councillor Sarkis Yedelian  
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Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi of India is currently visiting Australia.

The Prime Minister is in Australia for an official visit where issues such as defence, trade, renewable energy and business will be discussed.

Although the visit is brief, it is expected that any event he attends such as a community event at Sydney Olympic Park tonight will be well attended by many from the local Indian diaspora.

Census figures show that many people from India have chosen to make the City of Ryde their home and citizenship ceremonies also reflect this – India is consistently the country which most new citizens in Ryde have listed as their country of birth.

The growing size of the Indian community is also reflected in the popularity of events such as Diwali.

I would like to move that the City of Ryde note the visit by Prime Minister Modi and that a suitable article be prepared for inclusion in the Mayor's column noting the visit and its importance to the large cohort of Indian residents living in the City of Ryde.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council note the visit to Sydney by the Prime Minister of India – Shri Narendra Modi.
- (b) That a suitable article be prepared for inclusion in the Mayor's column noting the visit and its importance to the large cohort of Indian residents living in the City of Ryde.

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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Council, submitted on 23 May 2023.