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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – MCC Offers Condolences on the Death of Muhammad Ali

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The Muslim Community Center (MCC) of Silver Spring, Maryland, one of the oldest Muslim faith based organizations in the Washington, DC area, offers condolences to the family and friends of Muhammad Ali on his passing Friday evening at the age of 74.

Ali was truly an American Muslim hero, and it is with great sadness that the Muslim community across our nation both mourns his loss and celebrates the incredible life he led. As a three-time world heavyweight champion boxer, he taught generations of Americans the power of commitment, confidence and passion. But as a man of faith and principle, who stood up for what he believed in at great cost to himself, he also taught us the meaning of integrity, courage and conviction. Ali's legacy to his nation, as an American and as a Muslim, is an example for all of us to remember, and an inspiration for us to live by.

The Muslim Community Center has been praying for our brother since news of his sudden illness was first made known, and we will continue to pray for him during the blessed month of Ramadan, which began Monday, June 6.

MCC's mission is to promote brotherhood and human dignity among all by developing an environment of understanding, compassion, and justice in our personal and professional lives. We strive to serve the needs of the Muslim community and community at large in a manner that promotes its positive image and standing in a changing environment. We aim to represent the Muslim community in interfaith circles, in government, public and media relations, and in the society at large.