



## Message from the President

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On this day August 14, the Independence of Pakistan, I would like to extend my congratulations to all Pakistanis, in Pakistan and abroad. On this occasion let us take a moment to reflect on where Pakistan stands today in the global context and what responsibilities this imposes on us as Pakistani Americans. What can we do as Pakistani Americans in the United States?

How can we better ourselves, our local community, and our community abroad? In answering these questions we must look deep within to evaluate the strength of our commitments that we hold most dear. PACOLI is a means by which we will be able to come together to tackle the issues we face while simultaneously fulfilling our responsibilities to each other and our community.

It will provide the opportunity for all Pakistanis from all walks of life to come together on a single platform, and have our voices and concerns heard, while playing a constructive role. The average Pakistani does have a voice and a means to effect change and that is PACOLI.

As a grassroots organization we invite all Pakistanis to participate, and promote the higher values of our founding fathers that are faith, unity, and discipline. We must learn the value of honesty, tolerance, and hard work which is not only for the good of our own selves but also for the good of the community in which we live.

Recent events including the plane crash, flood and recent unrest in Pakistan have saddened all of us. I appeal to all of you to make consistent dua for the people of Pakistan and also contribute materially through reliable relief organizations. May Allah guide all of us on the right path and protect us as well as our beloved Pakistan.

## Long Live Pakistan

Dr. Syed Tamkin Ahmed

President

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