

## The Lord Mayor's Office

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Dear Abdul,

Councillor Baber Baz and Muhammad Wasim have drawn to my attention the wonderful work you have been doing as a volunteer at the Faizan e Madina helping to wash and shroud the deceased during the pandemic.

I know that many were hesitant to wash and shroud the deceased who had died from COVID due to fear of infection, and this was causing a huge amount of worry and stress in the community.

Mr Wasim tells me that you came forward and put together a team of volunteers that you trained in carrying out these services safely, with the use of PPE and risk assessments in place.

He also says that you helped with many burials in the City, and also made regular phone calls to families asking them about their health, well-being and supporting them through the grieving process.

Please accept my heartfelt thanks, this is essential work and you truly are a hero in these very challenging times.

I hope you; your family, friends and colleagues are keeping well.

Please accept my very best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Councillor Mohammed Azim Lord Mayor of Birmingham

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