

## 🕉️ HISTORIC TEMPLE ANNOUNCEMENT: FORMALLY NAMING MAHA SHIVA AT OUR EDINA TEMPLE 🕉️

Om Namah Shivaya. With the divine blessings of Lord Venkateswara and Maha Shiva, we are filled with immense joy to share a historic milestone for our Edina temple community.

Following the ancient Vedic tradition of naming the deity after the land They protect (like *Kashi Vishwanath*), we have formally dedicated a localized Sanskrit title for Maha Shiva, anchoring His presence directly to our American soil.

Moving forward, Lord Shiva in our sacred space will be formally revered as:

✨ **SRI AMERISHWARA SWAMY** ✨  
(Pronounced: Ame-rish-wara)

### **The Meaning:**

A beautiful Sanskrit blend of **Amer-** (America) and **Ishwara** (Supreme Lord), translating directly to **"The Supreme Lord and Divine Protector of America."**

This sacred name bridges the timeless energy of Shiva with our local community's identity. Just as Shiva resides on the snowy peaks of Mount Kailash, **Sri Amerlshwara** connects His Himalayan nature with the winter landscapes of Minnesota, ensuring a deep spiritual legacy for future generations.

### **Daily Mantra for Devotees:**

ॐ "Om Namah Shivaya Sri Amerlshwaraya Namaha"

Our priests will formally integrate this name into all future *Sankalpams* (invocations), chanting His blessings over Edina, Minnesota, and the entire continent. May Sri Amerlshwara bring peace, health, and protection to your homes!

Hara Hara Mahadeva!

**In Devotion and Service,**  
**Madhusudhana M Reddy & Dr. Jyothsna M Reddy**  
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