

His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd) Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia

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Her Excellency Ms Aikaterini Sakellaropoulou President of the Hellenic Republic ATHENS

Your Excellency

On the occasion of the Independence Day of the Hellenic Republic, we join with you in celebrating the bicentennial year of the modern Greek State. I wish to convey to you, the Government and the people of the Hellenic Republic my warmest wishes, together with those of the Australian Government and people.

We value our strong friendship and cooperation with the Hellenic Republic founded on close community links and camaraderie in war. The Greek expatriate community in Australia has made an enduring contribution to Australian culture and society.

We wish you well as we all continue to address the challenges posed by the COVID-19 virus.

May I express my confidence that the friendly relations between our two countries will continue to prosper in the coming year.

ours sincerely