

Chris Van Hollen United States Senator

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Dear Friends,

I am pleased to offer my warmest greetings to everyone attending the American Hellenic Institute's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Hellenic Heritage Achievement and National Public Service Awards Dinner.

For five decades, the AHI has served as an advocate for and supported the Greek American community. AHI's focus on public policy and work is critical now more than ever, and I am proud to partner in our continued efforts to address pressing issues in U.S. foreign relations with Greece and her neighbors.

AHI's mission of providing a voice and elevating the concerns of the Greek American community has been embodied by tonight's honorees. I am delighted to extend my congratulations to this year's honorees: Angelo K. Tsakopoulos for receiving the AHI Hellenic Heritage Lifetime Achievement Award and Caterina Papoulias-Sakellaris for receiving the AHI Hellenic Heritage National Public Service Award. Their dedicated work and commitment have set extraordinary examples as community leaders and philanthropists and I am grateful for their contributions.

Again, congratulations on your continued leadership and my best wishes for a wonderful celebration as you commemorate this tremendous milestone!

Sincerely

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