During this Christmas Season let us pray for the safe keeping of our brothers and sisters in Ukraine as they continue to defend the territorial integrity and sovereignty of our homeland!

On behalf of UCCA’s Executive Board, Member organizations and Local Branches, please accept our sincere wishes for a Blessed and Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year!
On December 21, UCCA President Andriy Futey and UCCA Vice-President Michael Sawkiw, Jr., joined a delegation of Ukrainian Americans who had been invited to sit in the chamber of the House of Representatives. That evening, Ukrainian President
Volodymyr Zelenskyy addressed members of Congress after meeting with US President Joe Biden at the White House during his first foreign trip since the full-fledged genocidal war against Ukraine began on February 24, 2022.

This was President Zelenskyy’s first in-person address to congress since his virtual address on March 16, 2022, and following Ukrainian First Lady Olena Zelenska’s address to Congress on July 20, 2022. UCCA previously fielded a large delegation for the last formal address by President Poroshenko to a joint session of Congress on September 18, 2014.

Read the full text of President Zelenskyy’s historic address (PDF)

Підтримайте Різдвяний Заклик УККА!
2022 has been the most difficult year in recent modern history for our Ukrainian homeland and hromada. Since February 24th, when Russia unleashed its unprovoked, genocidal war against Ukraine, UCCA has redirected its efforts to provide direct relief to the humanitarian challenges facing Ukraine while assisting our freedom fighters in defending Ukraine’s sovereignty and territorial integrity. Thanks to the outpouring of support, including in-kind contributions, UCCA’s National Office coordinated and delivered over $7 million USD worth of aid to Ukrainian who need it most – including to those on the frontlines of democracy.

Although Russia’s brutal invasion of Ukraine overshadowed every plan for 2022, UCCA did successfully tend to the needs of our hromada and in 2022 was able to:

- advocate for and secure continued bipartisan Congressional support for Ukraine as they continue to bravely defend democracy and our homeland against Russia’s aggression;
- maintain the uninterrupted publication of “The Ukrainian Quarterly” - the only English-language scholarly journal dedicated to Ukraine;
- continue engaging with key US policy makers by hosting two successful “Ukrainian Days” advocacy events;
- co-sponsor/co-host a variety of virtual & in-person conferences covering a wide range of topics, including: Ukraine’s National Security; the Ukrainian Experience in 1942 - an 80th Year Retrospective; XXIII Roundtable “Forging a Strong Yet Forbearing National Identity”; as well as, the annual Report Card for Ukraine;
strengthen our relationships with other ethnic communities;

- solemnly commence the year-long 90th commemoration of Ukraine’s Genocide – the Holodomor of 1932-33.

At our heart, whether speaking with your elected leaders or advocating in the media, we remain a community organization, supported by the enthusiasm of our volunteers, and financial support from you.

This Holiday Season, UCCA asks you to continue your investment in our Ukrainian American community, by making a tax-deductible contribution to UCCA. Our work is funded almost entirely by generous donations, and your support and involvement are essential to our work – and to our community’s future!

**Renew your support of Ukrainian American unity and advocacy today by supporting UCCA's Holiday Appeal!**

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don't blink on supporting Ukraine, Zelenskyy this holiday

Friend of UCCA and Ukraine, Rachael Ray, was published in USA Today this weekend with an important reminder for all Americans:

“We need to have President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's back going into this coming year, as the fight gets harder and with the bitter cold of winter joining the war.”

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