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# WEAR HOPE HELP UKRAINE



Rachael Ray and DelBrenna Jewelry announce the WEAR HOPE HELP UKRAINE collection and campaign launch on Ukraine Independence Day, August 24th. Kicking off at <a href="RachaelRay-DelBrenna.com">RachaelRay-DelBrenna.com</a> and <a href="DelBrenna">DelBrenna</a> boutiques, the custom jewelry collection is a collaboration of Rachael Ray and DelBrenna Jewelry in partnership with Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA).

The WEAR HOPE HELP UKRAINE collection includes pendant and chain necklaces for men and women that feature a Ukrainian trident and shield in three styles. Crafted in silver 925, with a choice of two finishes — 24k yellow gold or white rhodium — and the option to select from three lengths. Sales of

the necklaces aid UNBROKEN National Rehabilitation Center in Ukraine, where adults and children affected by the war receive qualified medical and wellness care.

Rachael Ray and DelBrenna Jewelry owners, Sebastian and Megan DelBrenna decided to combine their talents to create a jewelry collection to provide resources for Ukrainians after exchanging stories over lunch. Rachael had just returned from assisting the front line, packing medical and food supplies and conducting cooking classes for children and adults in Ukraine.

Twenty-four hours later, the WEAR HOPE HELP UKRAINE collection was born. Rachael had a Ukrainian trident candelabra on her lunch table, and all agreed on the design which the DelBrennas produced as three necklace styles; trident, shield and circle pendants, all enriched by a bead chain. The WEAR HOPE HELP UKRAINE collection retails for \$299-\$399, priced according to chain length. Fifty-five percent (55%) of each purchase will aid UNBROKEN National Rehabilitation Center through the assistance of UCCA.

# WEAR HOPE HELP UKRAINE

Collection

A collection of pendant and chain jewelry for men and women that features the Ukrainian trident and shield in three styles.

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Available online and at DelBrenna Jewelry Boutiques. Retail \$299-\$399; priced according to chain length.

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55% OF EACH PURCHASE AIDS UKRAINE

"The Ukrainian trident is a symbol of hope, strength and tenacity. While August 24th marks the 32nd anniversary of Ukraine Independence Day, we are reminded that Ukraine's independence remains under threat," said Sebastian Ghezzi DelBrenna.

Agreeing, Megan Neil DelBrenna added, "We strongly hope that the WEAR HOPE HELP UKRAINE collection inspires and generates support for Ukrainians and those administering care in Ukraine. If so, the campaign has achieved success. We invite everyone to join the effort to shine for Ukraine." Rachel Ray, who has traveled to Ukraine five times with plans to return soon with her husband, John Cusimano, is passionate about helping Ukraine. The duo personally funds their supply-and- assist missions.

"From the moment we arrive, we do whatever the community needs, whether it is cooking for 5000 or providing medical equipment and cooking supplies. Now, we are committed to UNBROKEN. Everyone who is injured in Ukraine is brought to UNBROKEN. It has medical facilities, prosthesis, cardiac care, childcare, rehabilitation training and on. But it does not have a kitchen equipped to feed thousands. So, we decided to ask everyone we know to create charitable ways to help us fund and build a kitchen for UNBROKEN. With Megan and Sebastian, they started immediately. They produced jewelry designs the next day," said Ray.

"We are honored and privileged to work together with two amazing partners. I have <u>now traveled five times</u> to Ukraine with an outstanding humanitarian Rachael Ray. Together, we have seen the eyes of the Ukrainian children, mothers and fathers, grandparents, and all those who are sacrificing their lives for the entire democratic world. We will continue to make a difference in their lives", said, Andriy Futey, president, UCCA.

Driven by their hope to provide resources for Ukraine, including food, mobility, wellness and healthcare and to enable and protect Ukrainian children, individuals and families, the founders set a goal of raising \$1 Million from the WEAR HOPE HELP UKRAINE campaign and collection.

To view the WEAR HOPE HELP UKRAINE made-to-order collection in-store, visit DelBrenna Jewelry boutiques in the US and Italy, including: DelBrenna Kansas City, 307 E 55th St (1-816- 982-9922); DelBrenna Cortona, Piazza della Repubblica 12 (39-0575-601518); and DelBrenna Florence, Borgo Santi Apostoli, 45R (39-055-2025030). The collection is available online at RachaelRay-DelBrenna.com. For more information, contact: media@delbrenna.com



THE WHITE HOUSE



AUGUST 24, 2022

# Statement from President Joe Biden on Ukraine Independence Day

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Today, the people of Ukraine are once more marking their Independence Day, while suffering the all-out assault of Putin's craven war for land and power. For eighteen months, Ukrainian families have lived under the daily threat of Russian rockets and the reality of brutal attacks. But the people of Ukraine

On this Independence Day, as they have since Russia first invaded Ukraine in 2014, brave Ukrainian women and men are defending Ukraine from assaults on fundamental principles essential to every nation on the planet – sovereignty and territorial integrity. They are showing the world once more than the properties of the principles of the properties of th

Independence means the freedom to choose your own future. It's precious, Each year on July 4<sup>th</sup>, American colebrate our Independence Day as a time to remember the price we quid for our freedom and Ill the blessings that flow from it. So roday, as Patha continues his brutal war to erase Ukraine's independence and reduce the map of our world by force, Americans all across the country stand united with the people of Ukraine.

The United States will continue our work, together with partners all around the world, to support Ukraine's ability to defend itself against Rassia's aggression, to uphold the foundational principles of the UN Charter, and to help the Ukrainian people build the secure, prosperous, and independent future they deem.

Our commitment to Ukraine's independence is unwavering and enduring. That's why the United States and other G7 nations issued a joint declaration in Lithuania last month pledging to help Ukraine maintain armed forces capable of deterring Bussian aggression in years to come, a declaration which over 26 nations have now joined. Together with our partners in Burope, we are supporting Ukraine in their fight for freedom now and we will help them seemeds. I will be the properties of the proper

accountable for the war crines and other atrocities they have committed in Utanier. This includes the foreithe removal of thousands of Ukrainian children to Bassia. These children have been stolen from their parents and kept apart from their families. It's unconsciousble, And today, we are announcing new ancitients to held four expossible for their good forced transfers and deportations to account, and to demand that Ukrainian children be returned to their families.

I sincerely hope that next year, Ukrainians will be able to celebrate their Independence Day in peace and safety, knowing how their extraordinary courage inspired the world. May Ukraine's Independence Day be a reminder that the forces of darkness and dominion will sever extinguish the flame of liberty that lives in the heart of free people everywhere.



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#### 32 Years of Ukraine's Renewed Independence And 18 months of defending it against brutal invaders

On August 24th, Ukrainians around the world will mark the 32th anniversary of Ukraine's renewed independence while soberly honoring those that continue to lay down their lives in defense of it.

For 18 months Ukrainians have been standing on the front lines defending democracy against tyranny. The aggressor's "scorched earth" policy and directed daily bombings of civilian and sacred targets killing innocent men, women, and children across the country is a renewed attempt of genocide against the Ukrainian nation. This blatant violation of international norms by russia is undermining peace and security for all of Europe. This is not a local issue. It's a global threat, and they must be stopped.

For Americans, support for Ukraine in the face of this genocide is natural, for we too believe in strong and secure national borders, the primacy of national sovereignty, and the right to self-determination. This war will have long-term implications for the notion of national sovereignty in the twenty-first century which directly affects America's global interests. But in this case, Ukrainians are not asking for, nor do they want, U.S. boots on the ground. As their blood and treasure is spilled at the hands of our common enemy, including the deaths of 500 ohldren in the past 18 months, Ukraine simply needs enough equipment, weapons, munitions, and financial resources to give them a winning chance.

The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA org.), the largest representative organization of Americans of Ukrainian descent, joins the global Ukrainian community in honoring the sacrifice and valor exhibited by the Ukrainians who are protecting all the values we hold dear – freedom, democracy, and self-determination. On this 32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Ukraine's renewed independence, we must caution the world against becoming complacent to the horrors being inflitted by russia and remind everyone that this battle being fought by Ukrainians is a battle for humanity.

UCCA sends its warmest greetings and prays that the good Lord safeguards the Ukrainian people and grants the defenders of democracy the strength to secure Ukraine's sovereignty and the fortitude to restore her territorial integrity.

Glory to Ukraine

Glory to the Heroes!

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# Independence Summer

If you or your local community receive any official proclamations or stage any independence events, please share them with UCCA's National Office.

Independence Summer @ UCCA.org







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Thursday 24 August 2023 at 11:00 am
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of the Restoration of Ukraine's Independence
See you at the flagpoles outside Binghamton City Hall

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9:00 ранку.....Проклямація в North Port City Hall

Піднесення прапорів

9:30 ранку......Святочна перекуска в Осередку

Ласкаво просимо взяти участь!

Come one, come all, as we gather together to commemorate the proud nation of Ukraine on its Independence Day!

4970 City Hall Blvd (off Sumter Blvd)

On Thursday, 2d September, at 900um, all communities are invited to join in the Raising of the Flag of Ukraine at North Port City Hall. Following the ceremony, attendees are invited back to St. Andrew's Ukrainian Religious and Cultural Center (known as Oseredok) at 4100 S Biscayne Dr, North Port, Fi. 34287.





# 32nd Ukrainian Independence Day

Watervliet Flag Raising

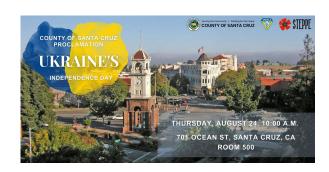
Meet at the flag pole in front of Watervliet City Hall for the raising of the Ukrainian Flag on the 32nd Ukrainian Independence Day. Please wear Ukrainian vishivanky (embroidery) and Ukrainian Flags!

2 15th St Watervliet, NY 12189

Come in your vyshyvanky and traditional Ukrainian colors to commemorate Ukraine on its Independence Day!

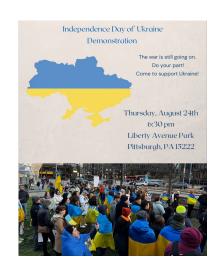


















Ukrainian Independence Day in central NJ!

Monmouth County Freeholder, Tom Arnone, will once again read a proclamation commemorating the anniversary of Ukraine's independence, and marking the second year of russia's war on Ukraine.

The proclamation will be read at the Commissioner's Meeting on August 24, 2023 at 1 pm in the Commissioner's Meeting Room.

Monmouth County Hall of Records 1 E Main St, Freehold, NJ 07728

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## WHAT IS UCCA?

The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA) is a non-profit, non-partisan community-based organization that has represented the interests of Ukrainians in the United States since 1940.

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