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Dear "Ukrainian Days" participants,

On behalf of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America and its Washington, DC public affairs bureau, the Ukrainian National Information Service (UNIS), I would like to thank you for your active participation in last week's summertime 2023 "*Ukrainian Days*" advocacy event.

While many of you have already experienced the Washington, DC advocacy role, I would like to single out those who attended for the first time and especially the Philadelphia Ukrainian Youth Civics Club for its active participation. I am also indebted to the team leaders for your guidance in the congressional meetings and for the support of the various ethnic communities that partnered in the "Ukrainian Days" advocacy program. And a special thank you to those who assisted UNIS behind the scenes to prepare for the successful advocacy event!

Our presence in Washington, DC was noticed and will be reflected in future cooperation with congressional offices and in government circles, especially during this critical time of war in Ukraine! Our mission was, and remains, quite clear –

- #SupportUkraine for continued security assistance to Ukraine;
- #SupportUkraine for an enhanced and robust russia sanctions regime;
- #SupportUkraine to designate the Wagner Group as a Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO) and russia as a State Sponsor of Terrorism (SST);
- #SupportUkraine to assist Ukraine in prosecuting russian war crimes in Ukraine; and,
- #SupportUkraine to recognize the current war and the Holodomor as genocide.

UNIS will keep you informed on these and any new developments in Congress. Of course, UNIS requests that you contact your elected officials and advocate for continued support of our common issues. As constituents, your active engagement with congressional offices is vital to our mutual success.

A follow-up "Ukrainian Days" online de-briefing session will be held following the July 4th holiday to discuss any information you might have obtained in your congressional meetings. Details will be sent in a subsequent e-mail.

## \*\*\* **SAVE THE DATE** \*\*\*

The next "Ukrainian Days" advocacy event will be held on a local level during the summer months. Further details will be forthcoming.

Please forward any pictures you might have taken during the advocacy events to UkraineDaysDC2023@gmail.com.

Thank you once again for your participation and looking forward to seeing you for our future "*Ukrainian Days*" events (whether virtual or in-person). Our continued cooperation is the key to success and will be of benefit to our community and Ukraine.

Thank you,

Michael





Should you have any questions or comments, please contact the Ukrainian National Information Service (UNIS) at: unis.sawkiw@gmail.com.

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