

Armenian National Committee of America NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

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The Honorable Lynne Tracy United States Ambassador 1 American Avenue Yerevan 0082 Republic of Armenia

Dear Ambassador Tracy:

On behalf of the Armenian National Committee of America, please accept our thanks - during this time of crisis - for the work that you, our team at U.S. Embassy-Yerevan, and all U.S. Foreign Service Officers, USAID officials, and others are undertaking to keep America and the world safe from the COVID-19 pandemic.

I write today to encourage you to ensure that needed U.S. foreign assistance resources are directed to help Armenia deal with this health emergency, in cooperation with Armenia's Ministry of Health and in support of other public health stakeholders, such as the American University of Armenia's Center for Health Services Research and social service organizations like the Armenian Relief Society. Funds appropriated by Congress can play a vital role at this crucial moment, as can U.S. technical assistance in public health reporting, data collection, and capacity building.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter, and for all you are doing to strengthen the enduring bonds that have long connected the American and Armenian peoples. We look forward to hearing from you on this urgent matter, and would welcome the opportunity to help share news of our Embassy's work with our community, Congressional friends, and coalition partners.

Sincerely,

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