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Dear Members and Friends of the Hellenic Society of Constantinople,

Happy New Year! We hope 2022 finds you and your family healthy and well!

The past two years have been a challenge for us all with the pandemic taking its toll on many. However, the Hellenic Society of Constantinople has endured and continues to stay focused on its mission to support the Patriarchate in Istanbul and the religious freedoms of all people living in Asia Minor. This past fall we were blessed to receive His All Holiness, Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, in our Metropolis and refocus on the need to support the few, remaining Greek Orthodox Christians and churches at risk amidst the turmoil in Turkey.

Enclosed please find our 2022 Membership Form. Your support helps us champion philanthropic causes here at home and abroad.

Close to home, the Society has benefitted active members of the U.S. military, the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Wings (a battered women's shelter) and donated grocery store gift cards to needy families and the Alzheimer's Room at the Greek American Rehabilitation Centre just to name a few beneficiaries.

Abroad, your membership has helped our focus remain on the minority Greek Orthodox population in Turkey whose existence continues to fortify and safeguard our Ecumenical Patriarchate. **This year, funds raised will go towards benefiting the private middle school/high school for Greek Orthodox students recently opened in Turkey by Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew.**

We thank you in advance for your support which helps us continue the unique and laudable tasks entrusted to our Society. We encourage you to stay connected through our website to be notified of upcoming events including our movie screenings and commemorations. We look forward to the day when we can reconnect with you in person. Until then, we wish you happiness and perfect health in this new year.

Sincerely,

Hellena K. Chrones
President