

## AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION OF UKRAINIAN ORGANISATIONS СОЮЗ УКРАЇНСЬКИХ ОРГАНІЗАЦІЙ АВСТРАЛІЇ

Representing 22 Peak Ukrainian Organisations in Australia Member of Ukrainian World Congress

April 23, 2019 **President - Elect of Ukraine** Volodymyr Zelensky Kyiv, Ukraine

## Dear Mr. Zelensky

The Australian Federation of Ukrainian Organisations (AFUO) – the peak body for Ukrainians in Australia congratulates you on your election as the President of Ukraine.

The international community together with Ukrainian Electoral Commission reported that the election process was both democratic and transparent. This was a further indicator that Ukraine is a mature, sovereign and independent State.

We look forward to a productive and cooperative relationship and wish your Administration success in implementing the strategic tasks and challenges that lie before Ukraine.

We look forward to working with you on furthering Ukraine and its interests, the continuation of the process of European and Euro-Atlantic integration, the defending of the territorial sovereignty of Ukraine against aggression from the Russian Federation, the return of Ukraine's occupied territories and the return of Ukraine's political prisoners who are incarcerated in Russia.

The further development of economic, social and educational spheres, the ongoing cooperation with Ukraine's diplomatic missions in enhancing the positive image of Ukraine and the sharing of knowledge and experiences at different levels are also opportunities for ongoing cooperation.

Australia's Ukrainian community has always supported these principles and is ready to continue to cooperate in implementing our common principles, values and plans.

Yours sincerely

Stefan Romaniw OAM

**CHAIRMAN**