



**MESSAGE FROM THE HON. DOMINIC PERROTTET MP
AND THE HON. MARK COURE MP**

Independence Day of Ukraine

Today, we join the Ukrainian community in New South Wales to mark the 31st anniversary of Ukraine's independence. As we commemorate the deep and lasting bonds of friendship and family between our two states, we recognise that this year, the meaning of independence carries a greater sense of responsibility.

The world has witnessed the courage and resilience of the Ukrainian people in their plight to protect their sovereignty and freedom. In doing so, they have shown us the exemplary and inspiring side of humanity - dignified, resilient, and hopeful.

We, the people of NSW, are one family, supporting each other in times of crisis. The NSW Government stands beside our Ukrainian refugees and established Ukrainian communities to ensure they find peace here in NSW.

As we mark this important occasion in the shadow of conflict, we stand united in solidarity and in support. The Ukrainian people of NSW do not walk through such dark days alone.

Together, we will prevail.

“Slava Ukraini!”

The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP
Premier

The Hon. Mark Coure MP
Minister for Multiculturalism
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