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Taniel Koushakjian  
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Dear Friends,

It is a great honor to welcome you to the Knights and Daughters of Vartan National Grand Convocation.

I want to thank you for your role in ensuring that Armenians are safe and successful members of American society. Your efforts to educate others on the history and culture of Armenia bolster the rich diversity of our state and nation. As your United States Senator, and as a member of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, I was proud to co-sponsor S. Res. 140 in support of an Armenian-Turkish relationship following the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide. We must continue to fight as an international community with passion and dignity in defense of human rights.

Although I cannot be with you, please know that you have my full support for your cause and my best wishes for a successful and enjoyable event. I look forward to hearing of your continued success as an organization. May God bless you, and may God bless the United States.

Sincerely,



Marco Rubio  
United States Senator