



## Message to Adopt-a-Village Australia

I send my apologies for being unable to attend the launch of Adopt-a-Village Australia and send my best wishes to Dr Armen Gakavian and the team who have contributed to this global initiative since its inception in late 2015.

Whether it is the skills brought by Armenian diaspora to this initiative in business, academia, government or social responsibility; the Adopt-a-Village initiative represents the best of the multicultural values embraced here in NSW.

With projects as critical as the rebuilding of infrastructure between two isolated communities or creating tourism opportunities through sustainable beautification developments; the projects delivered by Adopt-a-Village will transform the lives of people in villages across Armenia.

Common to all projects is the rich array of technical and financial expertise, which Armenia diaspora have developed and shared across Australia and the world.

I commend the Adopt-a-Village team on today's Australia launch, which recognises the opportunities in Armenia through the industry of our dedicated diaspora and wish you all the best.

Yours faithfully,

Gladys Berejiklian MP Premier Member for Willoughby