

## NYC Mayor Adams presents key to the city to Ec. Patr. Bartholomew



New York City Mayor Eric Adams presented His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew with the Key to the City today at the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America headquarters.

"You have unlocked our hearts here in the city," said Mayor Adams, addressing the Ecumenical Patriarch.

The mayor also reminded guests that "we have been abusive towards Mother Earth" in reference to His All-Holiness's environmentalist teachings, for which he will be awarded the internationally-recognized Templeton Prize later this week.

Today's luncheon was hosted by His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America, in honor of the Ecumenical Patriarch and in gratitude to the Templeton Prize Committee.

Earlier in the day, clergy and monastics, presvyters, and children gathered at the Archdiocesan Cathedral of the Holy Trinity to celebrate a Patriarchal doxology with His All-Holiness.

Immediately following the cathedral visit, His All-Holiness visited the headquarters of the GOARCH headquarters, where he was enthusiastically welcomed by the New York staff.

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