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48 US Senators request ‘excellent welcome’ for visiting Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew by US President Biden



In a related development half way around the world, 48 US Senators have addressed a letter to US President Joe Biden to express their full support for Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew’s visit to the United States, scheduled for the end of the month.

The bipartisan initiative was promoted by US Sen. from New Jersey, Robert Menendez, US Senator from Florida Marco Rubio.

The 48 top US lawmakers underlined that

“…With our many voters, members of the Orthodox Christian community across the country, we look forward to welcoming Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew in the last week of October 2021… We hope that this trip to Washington will take place in an exceptional way and with the proper protocol, with which you hosted him as Vice President in 2009. This year marks the 30th anniversary of his election as Ecumenical Patriarch.

“As you know, an excellent welcome is appropriate for the spiritual leader of the second-largest Christian Church in the world and a person with his many valuable achievements,” the letter added.