

## CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 2021

Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays to all!

Hs we look forward to celebrating Christmas and the Holiday Season, may we be mindful of the true meaning of Christmas by recognizing the real treasures in our lives, taking the time to enjoy the simple pleasures of this special time of the year and being grateful for the people and things that brought us happiness during this challenging year. My wish is that your most treasured gifts be peace, joy and hope.

Christmas is a time for me to recall many cherished memories of the past and build on them to create new ones. Connecting with my family, my network of friends and, indeed, my community nurtures in me a great sense of peace and contentment, knowing that I truly belong.

This sense of togetherness helps me to recognize the true meaning of the tradition of giving presents. Sharing my gifts and talents with others and gratefully receiving theirs is a magical gift exchange, bringing much joy for Christmas and throughout the year. A grateful heart helps us to face challenges and believe in possibilities, giving us hope for a better tomorrow.

My wish is for a peaceful and joyful Christmas with cherished family, friends and community. At this time of the year I am reminded to reach out to those less fortunate in a spirit of goodwill, compassion and kindness.

May the New Year bring hope for a healthy renewal of our world.

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