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# His Excellency, The President's New Year's Speech

My Fellow Molossians, Greetings.

The world is a little different than it was last year. There is a faint shadow creeping across the land, one that brings foreboding. This feeling is more of gloom than hope, negativity than positivity. Molossia is not immune to this attitude, we are after all a part of the world and not above it. But as belts tighten and shoulders hunch, it important to remember who we are as a nation and what makes us special, the things that make us great. Our nation isn't great because we name oceans after ourselves or because we beat our chests and wave our flag. Molossia is great because of our people, our steadfast, hardworking citizens.

Each day Molossians work to build a great nation and make it even greater. Our diversity is our strength, each person contributing in their own way to strengthen the whole. Each Molossian is a small piece of a mighty mosaic,



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### Around Molossia...



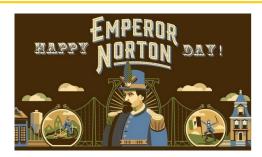


The First Snow Of The Winter Season In Molossia!

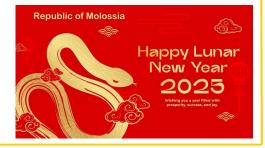
### Did You Know?

Molossia was the first micronation to launch a living being into space (almost), when we launched four Mexican Jumping Beans aloft on the Marilyn Rocket on 28 November 2009 XXXII!





Two Special Holidays in January, Emperor Norton Day, celebrating the Emperor of the United States and Protector of Mexico, and the Lunar New Yar, the ceremonial New Year of our nation!!



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seemingly trivial, but instead essential to the masterpiece that is our nation. We value each and every citizen of our nation, not just from a government perspective but also we value each other as individuals. Together we work tirelessly to build each other up, and that is what builds a great nation. And we celebrate each other as well, for ours is a family nation. We take the time to recognize how special each citizen is. We are not at war with each other, in spite of differing views. No, we seek harmony and understanding daily, in all that we do. I think we do this well, and it sets Molossia apart as a nation and community. Of course there is always room for improvement, no place, no nation is perfect. But in placing the needs and desires of our people as paramount, and dealing with every Molossian with love and compassion, we march daily toward that elusive perfection. Perfect we're not, but wonderful we indeed are, that special kind of wonderful that makes Molossia the greatest nation on earth.

God Bless You, Long Live Molossia!

## New Customs Office

20 January 2025 XLVIII

The Government of the Republic of Molossia is proud to unveil our new Customs Office. After 15 years of stalwart service, under the watchful eye of Fred the Customs Guy, the old Customs Shack has now been retired. Deemed too small to properly service the growing number of visitors to our nation in recent years, the old Customs Office was moved elsewhere, perhaps for future service in a new role. The new Customs Office taking its place was formerly the Molossia Post Office. As there are plans for a new, bigger Post Office in the works, repurposing the old Post Office to become the new Customs Office seemed a wise move. So repurposed it has been, and it now sits proudly on the Molossian border with the US, ready to light the way into our nation for visitors from around the world. We are quite proud of this new office and are certain it will serve our nation well for many years to come!



The New Customs Office



Ready For Visitors!



Fred In His New Abode

# Upcoming Tours Of Molossia

Tours of our nation are currently planned on the following dates only:

Saturday, 26 April 2025, 10:00 AM PST (First Tour Of The Year)

Saturday, 17 May 2025, 10:00 AM PST

Saturday, 14 June 2025, 9:00 AM PST

Saturday, 19 July 2025, 9:00 AM PST

Saturday, 9 August 2025, 9:00 AM PST

Saturday, 6 September 2025, 10:00 AM PST

Saturday, 11 October 2025, 10:00 AM PST (Last

Tour Of The Year)





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# A Visit To The United Nations

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The weekend 9-12 January 2025 XLVIII, His Excellency, the President and the First Lady traveled to New York City for a brief visit. One of the principal stops on the whirlwind tour of New York was the United Nations. The Republic of Molossia is not a United Nations member state, not yet anyway, but of course it is a goal of many micronations to be recognized by the UN. As a first step, The President and First Lady took a tour of the UN on Friday morning, 10 January. In the process of receiving his visitor badge, The President was spotted by an excited crowd of young fans of our nation, creating a mob scene in front of the UN. The President happily took photos with this impromptu sidewalk fan club, and shook about fifty hands. It was rather remarkable! After the crowd settled down, His Excellency and the First Lady took the tour of the UN, learning the history, goals and objectives of this august body. Included were a stop in the chamber of the Security Council and the General Assembly chamber. Perhaps someday Molossia will have a seat in one or both of these!

While at the UN, the First Couple watched a presentation regarding the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. The aim of these global goals is "peace and prosperity for people and the planet" – while tackling climate change and working to preserve oceans and forests. The President has determined that Molossia, while not a UN member nation, will participate in these goals and implement initiatives in the near future to make them happen. There will be more on this soon!

Other highlights of the First Couple's New York trip included a wonderful concert in Asbury Park, New Jersey, a visit to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, ice skating at Rockefeller Center and an amazing Broadway show. It was a remarkable voyage, full of memorable events, and The President and First Lady look forward to a future return to the Big Apple!



The President At The UN



Meeting Fans Of Molossia



The President Is In There Somewhere



Shaking Hands

The Outsiders Musical



Security Council



General Assembly



The First Lady Likes Peace



Concert In Asbury Park



Ice Skating



The First Lady And Van Gogh

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#### **February Calendar**

Chocolate Mint Day - 19 February - The President's favorite flavor, celebrated by eating ice cream, of course!

No Molossia Birthdays This Month!

Molossia's weather is always gorgeous, with plenty of sunshine and temperatures year-round of 22° Celsius (72° Fahrenheit). However, our little country is surrounded by the US and they are so close, their awful weather invades frequently! So the weather report reflects both our weather and theirs.

	Molossia	US
Maximum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	16° C / 61° F
Minimum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	-1° C / 30° F
Average Temperature	22° C / 72° F	7.5° C / 45.5° F
Monthly Precipitation	0 mm	1.8 mm
Sunshine hours	Pretty much every day!	

# The Last Word With The First Lady

Hello all! January is here and so is a brand new year. A year of new beginnings and new goals. Goals can be personal and collective. As humans we strive for greatness within ourselves and our counterparts. We love encouragement and seeing progress. Recently, in the United States, a different kind of unity has unveiled itself. Not the good kind. Many people blind in their faith of a mere mortal. A man who is out to seek evil over good. A person that is only out for his own personal gain. It's time we focus on the goals of the group collective. We as a society, worldly neighbors, need to be there to lift each other up, not tear each other down. Let's celebrate our achievements and differences, looking to brighten the color of the fabric of our lives. Let's turn our attention to support the fight for what's right, freedom and equality for all. Here in Molossia everyone is treated with respect. Each citizen brings something unique to the table. Our differences make us interesting, our story is worth telling. Let's begin to write our own narrative. History is being written right now, how can you help impact what will come next?



Thank you all and until next time..

Be the change you want to see in the world. It starts in the heart.

~Adrianne