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News from the Republic of Molossia

His Excellency, The President’s Founder’s Day Speech

My Fellow Molossians, Family and Friends.

Two score and one year ago my friend James and I brought forth upon this continent a new nation, conceived in my living room and dedicated to the ideal that with a little imagination, creativity and effort, anything can be accomplished. Molossia is the child of that ideal, born from a dream and made a reality right here on this spot on earth. After an initial nomadic twenty-one years, twenty years ago this month Molossia gained a permanent home here, carved out of the raw desert. In the subsequent two decades my fellow Molossians and I have built our nation up to the great land that it is today. We have accomplished much with this nation, and we continue to accomplish great things every day.

As always at this time, I like to mention a few of Molossia’s events and accomplishments that have occurred in the past year.

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Founder’s Day 2018

On Saturday, 26 May 2017 XLI, The Republic of Molossia turned 41 years old, another major milestone for our great nation. On a windy, sunny Saturday afternoon, friends, family and fans of our nation and proud Molossians gathered to mark our nation's birthday. The event began at 3:39 PM MST with a tour of Molossia given by His Excellency, The President and The First Lady. In all, over 40 people visited Molossia, here to help us celebrate our nation's birthday. Many of our visitors had never before been to Molossia, so the visit was a new experience for them. After the tour, our nation's guests gathered in Red Square for His Excellency's annual Founder's Day speech. Following the speech was a barbecue and general amicable gathering in Red Square, to wrap up the celebration. This concluded the official celebration of Molossia's 41st Founder's Day and a fine time was had by all!
Molossia continuously opens its doors to the world and the world has beat a path to those doors. Last year we welcomed over 150 visitors to Molossia from all over the world. This year we have already welcomed 85 tourists in just over a month, well on our way toward beating the island country of Nauru in our one-sided competition to have more visitors than that nation.

Among our visitors over the last year were a media team from the NBC Today show, which featured Molossia last fall, as well as a Youtuber, podcaster and Galileo television crew from Germany. We are all over the media, which we heartily approve as it spreads the word and educates the world about our mighty nation.

Besides the media we have no problem promoting ourselves a bit and this last year was no different. We spread public awareness of our nation over the past year by participating in a variety of local public events including the Nevada Day Parade, Dayton Valley Days, and Dayton's Hometown Christmas.

Molossia over the last year hosted two State Visits, first from the Kingdom of Ourania last summer and then from Republic of Saugeais this spring, just over a month ago. Perhaps the highlight of diplomacy, though, was our attendance at MicroCon in Atlanta, during July 2017. The opportunity to meet with leaders and representatives of micronations from around the world was simply amazing and inspirational.

Molossia is always committed to sustaining the environment and this spring we joined most of the nations of the world in embracing the Paris Climate Agreement. This agreement commits us to lowering our carbon emissions, which are already fairly low due our small size and lack of industrialization. Nevertheless there is always room for improvement and we are poised soon to launch our solar power project which will power the buildings in Red Square, with long term plans to expand the project to provide solar power to all of Molossia.

I rearranged Molossia’s holiday calendar late last year, removing some rarely celebrated holidays and adding a few new ones. Among these was the first celebration of Mardi Gras and our new Spring Jamboree, both great successes. And of course in autumn 2017 we held the Misfit Regatta, our biennial dry-land boat race.

Our tiny nation grew a little more this year. In January we welcomed our newest citizen Penny Morrow, bringing our population to 34 and counting!

We made a few changes to our nation over the past year, in part to accommodate the increasing number of visitors we receive. We relocated the famous Pineapple Fountain from Norton Park to Red Square, planted a few trees, widened a few paths and rerouted the Molossia railroad. In addition, and of great note, the long-awaited Molossia Constabulary and Jail were finally constructed this spring, giving an office to our stalwart Chief Constable, providing venue for punishing offenders of our laws and increasing our nation's overall security.

And speaking of construction, last summer we inaugurated Molossia's Friendship Gateway, dedicated to friendship, amity and openness between all people. Here in Molossia we believe not in walls but in open doors, understanding and inclusion, and our Gateway - funded by the friends and allies of Molossia - is a symbol of that outlook.

And regarding outlook, we continue to grow and build our nation, with a positive view of the future. We have done great things with Molossia over the last 41 years and we will continue to do so. The imagination and creativity that spawned our nation runs in our blood, urging us to take Molossia to new heights and ever greater accomplishments. As I often say, the future belongs to Molossia. I am very, very proud of what we have accomplished together as a nation and just as proud to lead this nation into that future.
Paris Climate Agreement

The Republic of Molossia is dedicated to protecting our environment - after all, we have but one world upon which to live and we should care for it. To that end, and somewhat belatedly, it has been decided that our nation will adopt and abide by the provisions of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change. The Paris Agreement was adopted by 195 nations in late 2015 with a goal of dealing with greenhouse gas emissions. The Agreement aims to respond to the global climate change threat by keeping a global temperature rise this century well below 2 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels and to pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase even further to 1.5 degrees Celsius. In the Paris Agreement, each country determines, plans and regularly reports its own contribution it should make in order to mitigate global warming. As a sovereign, though unrecognized nation, Molossia will therefore set its own goals to reduce carbon emissions. In the forefront of this is our planned solar power initiative, set to launch this summer. Further, our nation will reduce the use of fossil fuels, already at a minimum due to our relative lack of roads, and place greater emphasis on recycling and reusing. At this time Molossia's carbon footprint is 6.8 metric tons per capita, roughly on par with Denmark but well below that of the neighboring United States. Nevertheless there is always room for improvement and our planned initiatives are a step in the right direction, one that will help protect and preserve our planet for future generations.

Around Molossia...

Molossian Captain and Ambassador Jerry Ehrlich aboard the Molossia-flagged vessel Yachtzee, carrying our nation’s name as its home port!

Clouds Over Molossia!

Upcoming Tours Of Molossia

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

Saturday, 16 June 2018 XLI at 10:00 AM PST
Saturday, 21 July 2018 XLI at 10:00 AM PST
Saturday, 18 August 2018 XLI at 10:00 AM PST
Saturday, 22 September 2018 XLI at 10:00 AM PST
Saturday, 13 October 2018 XLI at 10:00 AM PST (last tour of the year)

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Welcome to summer! June is here and the first official day of summer is on the 21st. Everyone is outside, the weather is warm and the kids are almost out of school. What a great time of the year!

Graduation is upon us and Molossian citizens Nathan Harrison and (Chief Constable) Alexis Baugh are about to be moving those tassels! Nathan graduates high school a full year early with honors thanks to taking advanced classes along the way. He is an NIAA recognized offensive lineman as well as a 3 year Student Council class President or Vice President. He will be taking college classes in the fall to further his studies.

Alexis Baugh will be graduating 8th grade this week. She has been a prominent member of the Leadership Program in all of middle school, as well as playing Basketball and Track all three years. She begins high school as the Freshman class president.

We are very proud of our two young Molossian citizens. They have worked hard and their accomplishments shine through!

I hope that your kick-off to summer is as amazing as the one here in Molossia is so far.

Thank you all and until next time...
Stay cool and enjoy the summer sun!
~Adrienne