



## **Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk greets His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon of All America and Canada with his Name Day**

*Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, chairman of the Moscow Patriarchate's Department for External Church Relations, sent the following greeting to His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon of All America and Canada:*

**His Beatitude Tikhon**

**Archbishop of Washington**

**Metropolitan of All America and Canada**

Your Beatitude!

I cordially greet you with your Name Day.

Trying by your faith and deeds to imitate St. Tikhon and looking at his apostolic work in America, you perform your ministry with zealousness and humility and give your life (Jn 10:11) for the faithful, teaching them to glorify and thank God, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead (1 Pet 1:3).

I wish you God's unceasing help in your primatial ministry for strengthening the Orthodox Church in America. I also wish you good health and abundant spiritual blessings from the All-Generous Heavenly Father.

With respectful love in the Lord,

**Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk**

**Chairman of the Department for External Church Relations**

**Moscow Patriarchate**