



## Bishop Matthew of Sourozh congratulated Donald Trump on his election as President of the United States of America



*The Interim Administrator of the Patriarchal Parishes in the USA & Canada, Bishop Matthew of Sourozh congratulated Donald Trump on his election as President of the United States of America.*

**The Honorable Donald J. Trump**  
**President-Elect of the United States of America**

Dear Mr. Trump

On behalf of the Patriarchal Parishes of the Russian Orthodox Church in the USA, please accept my congratulations on your election as President of the United States of America.

The American people for the second time entrust you with the leadership of the country, linking your presidency with hopes for further economic and social development, strengthening of harmony and stability in society.

We hope that the period of your presidency will be a time to find new ways of mutual understanding between countries and peoples, the peaceful resolution of international conflicts and the affirmation of the principles of religious freedom throughout the world.

I wish you, dear Mr. Trump, strength, God's help and success, in your responsible public service.

Sincerely,

**+Matthew**  
**Bishop of Sourozh**  
**Interim Administrator of the Patriarchal Parishes**  
**of the Russian Orthodox Church in the USA and Canada**

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