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MESSAGE FROM PRIME MINISTER JULIA GILLARD

THE AUSTRALIAN HOKIEN HUAY KUAN ASSOCIATION
30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AND MOON FESTIVAL

It is with great pleasure that I send my best wishes to everyone attending the 30th Anniversary Celebration and Moon Festival Dinner of the Australian Hokien Huay Association Incorporated (AHHK).

The AHHK's 30th Anniversary is a fantastic opportunity to recognise the enormous contribution of Chinese Australians, and the Chinese-Fujian people in particular, to the economic, social and cultural life of Australia. Chinese Australians are renowned for hard work, enterprise, community spirit and strong families.

At the same time, the Moon Festival, an occasion deeply embedded in traditional Chinese culture, is a time for families and friends around the world to gather and watch the full moon, share moon cakes, light lanterns and celebrate the end of the harvesting season.

Tonight is an exciting opportunity to both acknowledge the achievements of AHHK and celebrate this ancient and important Chinese tradition. At the same time, this significant occasion provides the broader community with the opportunity to reflect upon the contribution of Chinese Australians, including Chinese-Fujian people, to our society and the success of our multiculturalism.

I send my best wishes to the members of the AHHK and I hope that everyone enjoys celebrating the 30th Anniversary and Moon Festival.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julia Gillard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line under the name.

The Honourable Julia Gillard
Prime Minister of Australia