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Message to Philippine Nurses Association Australia, Inc. from the The Philippine Nurses Association of America, Inc.

As you are entering the second year of the founding of your organization, it can be equated to cotton. Cotton symbolizes a second year anniversary is a material that is both durable and versatile. Cotton has also been known as a symbol of great prosperity. May these attributes mark your organization's second year. You established your organization to meet the needs of the Philippine nurses in Australia focusing on professional issues and concerns. True to your commitment, you have taken on your social responsibility to your country of origin, your country of destination and profession. With these, you are now recognizing your members and colleagues for achieving your mission and vision.

My theme, to meet global health, giving back to the global community, was articulated loud and clear by our members. Now is the time to share our knowledge and expertise to our larger nursing community and global colleagues with my platform PNAA Social Construct: Empowering Collaborations, Sustaining Healthy Communities with Strategic and Synergistic Social Action. This social construct is very much in synch with our direction of unifying the Filipino American Nurses in any country and actively participating and developing programs in nursing, educations, and health care activities in the community. We have achieved the 1st Global Summit for Filipino Nurses in 2014, a testament of our stature as a global organization.

Congratulations to your awardees and best wishes to your members, led by President Nelma Galas. We are confident of your continued maturation and success as a national organization.

Very truly yours,

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