



Government House
Canberra ACT 2600

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Dear Mr Gill,

I would be grateful if you would pass on to all the members of the New South Wales Volunteer Rescue Association who were involved in the difficult and dangerous rescue operations at Thredbo in the period following the landslide, my warmest congratulations and thanks for their wonderful work and achievements. As I said in the course of my comments at the ecumenical service at Thredbo on 4 August, Australians as a whole are overcome with gratitude and admiration for the dedication and bravery of all the members of the rescue teams. The New South Wales Volunteer Rescue Association should be very proud of them.

Yours sincerely,

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