The Honourable Comm A. J. Grassby A.M. K.C.J.C., K.C.J.A., Ph.D. (H.C.)

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Dear Lena and Dino,

During the conference on the Italian Community in Australia held at Wollongong last week end I was presented with a won erful envelope containing two books, 70 Anni di Ricordi in due mondi, and the story of Mamma Lena.

I want to say how much I appreciated them both. The Story of Mamma Lena is warm, human and moving in the saga of a family in a new world.

The other is one of the most comprehensive and valuable collections of the history of the Italian community in Sydney I have ever come across.

It revives so many memories of events and people that I had half forgotten.

It represents a wonderful labor of love and you should be proud indeed.

For my part I am proud to have contributed and been part of the great story of Mamma Lena and the family.

I am so grateful I have received the books and I will certainly be passing on to my friends and colleagues both as a valuable part of the history of Australia.

With every good wish,

Yours sincerely,

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