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Dear Friends:

On behalf of the citizens of the State of Connecticut, it is my pleasure to extend sincere greetings to all who have gathered at beautiful Seaside Park in Bridgeport, Connecticut for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Sikorsky Fallen Heroes Committee Memorial-Tribute.

The citizens of our country are proud of the men and women who have fought to defend the principles of liberty and freedom on which our nation was founded. Throughout our history, Americans have willingly answered the call to defend the freedom that we enjoy and have inspired other nations in their quest to assure freedom in their own lands. Today's event provides an opportunity to recognize the members of our armed forces who so valiantly gave their lives while serving our nation with honor and dignity.

I commend all who were involved in the planning and execution of this laudable event for your generous contributions and outstanding leadership. This hence is a true testament to your commitment and dedication to forever remember our nation's fallen heroes.

It is a privilege to extend my words of tribute to you. Please know that you have my best wishes for successful and memorable event.

Sincerely,

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