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Dear Friends,

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, a day that changed America forever. Despite the grief and sorrow that befell us on this tragic day, September 11th was a time that reminded us of the bravery, resiliency, and unity of the American people, especially those who risked their lives to save, help, and stand by one another.

I was overwhelmed by the Senate's demonstration of unity when all 100 United States Senators co-sponsored the resolution which calls on Americans to stop and remember the events that occurred ten years ago. As you know, the Moment of Remembrance is taking place at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on September 11, 2011, when cities and towns, firehouses, churches, and other institutions across our country are sounding sirens and ringing bells for one minute. These sirens and bells are a signal for each person to stop and remember the people we lost and demonstrate the perseverance the American people have shown since that fateful day.

As a part of this initiative, we must also recognize the heroism of canines who accompanied their human partners on search and rescue, recovery, and security efforts during and after the September 11th tragedy. I appreciate the work of Finding One Another in organizing this event to honor the Canine Search and Rescue Community, whose courageous services continue to be an indispensable asset to our country.

As you know, almost 3,000 innocent people were killed on September 11, 2001. These were people hard at work, flying to see friends and family, and, of course, first responders doing their job and rushing into harm's way to save lives. Your participation in the Moment of Remembrance is an extraordinary showing of unity and solidarity on the 10th anniversary of one of the most devastating attacks to happen on our own soil.

Sincerely,

