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Friends:

Ramadan Mubarak!

Growing up in Indonesia, I had the honor of witnessing Ramadan as a beautiful tradition for cleansing the body, spirit and soul.

Ramadan reminds us to center ourselves in our place on the earth. As we celebrate this holy month, let us commit to bringing hope and light to our work and our world. Let us continue to oppose the forces of hate, Islamophobia, racism, and xenophobia and that seek to divide and distract us. And let us call out injustice and inequality wherever it occurs, whether on the borders of our land or in the lands of our birth.

I am honored to be your partner in Congress. As we work to pass the No Ban Act and my Access to Counsel Act, I am grateful to you for reminding us that our strength always comes in our power. I also want to thank Islamic Relief USA, and the broader Muslim American community, for your tremendous work supporting food security and anti-hunger programs for the people most harshly hit by the COVID-19 pandemic and the economic downturn. This is a time when we need the strength and the sacrifice exemplified through Ramadan more than ever.

I wish the Muslim community everywhere a joyous and blessed holy month of Ramadan. Ramadan Mubarak!

Sincerely,

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