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Dear Friends,

While this year may be different, and we will not be able to celebrate in person at Islamic Relief USA's (IRUSA) annual Congressional Dinner, I want to still start off by saying, *Ramadan Mubarak!* The Holy Month of Ramadan is time for spiritual reflection and prayer, and for families and communities to come together. Though we cannot gather like we normally do, I want to acknowledge your strong devotion to faith, while also commemorating the service you give back to your communities.

I want to specifically recognize the incredible humanitarian and anti-poverty work of IRUSA. You have always played a vital role in the relief efforts for families impacted by natural disasters and other tragic events. IRUSA has collaborated with community and interfaith groups to serve our most vulnerable neighbors. Now, as governments around the world manage the COVID-19 pandemic, I applaud IRUSA for joining the relief effort once again. You have contributed critical funding for anti-hunger organizations that will help respond to the needs of families and communities impacted by COVID-19. Thank you for your unwavering commitment to community service.

Lastly, as we celebrate the beginning of Ramadan, I want to also recognize the incredible contributions that American Muslims have made to our country. I am proud to represent a diverse district in Washington state, and have seen the immeasurable good that has come of different communities working together. My work in Congress is founded on the principle that our strength is through our diversity, and as a nation we must renew our commitment that divisive politics and hateful rhetoric have no home in America.

Once again, thank you for your continued service to American families. Please accept my best wishes for a wonderful and healthy Ramadan to you and your families.

Sincerely,



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