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Dear Friends:

As the honoring of the holy month of Ramadan commences fasting, introspection, and prayer, I offer all who celebrate the warmest greetings. It is with great pleasure that I wish a reflective and enlightened Ramadan Mubarak to Islamic Relief USA, our Muslim friends in South Florida, and across our nation.

I hope that this Ramadan will bring an opportunity for peaceful spiritual contemplation for the Muslim community and an opportunity for all Americans to reflect on a past year of many challenges. It is my sincerest wish that this deliberation will enable Americans to discover deeper empathy and to come together and heal. As we seek unity and growth during this month, let us find the strength and perseverance to redouble our efforts to transform the injustices, inequalities, and racism pervasive in our nation.

I recognize and am grateful to Islamic Relief USA (IRUSA) and Muslim Americans for embodying the values of empathy and sadaqah, or charity. Through their efforts and contributions, IRUSA has supported nearly 200 communities and social service organizations across the nation. This assistance has helped to maintain food security, healthcare access, domestic violence response, and financial assistance programs to all Americans. IRUSA continues to lead their communities on a path forward towards unity through their humanitarian, anti-poverty, and advocacy work.

Once again, Ramadan Mubarak! With warm personal regards, I remain,

Sincerely,

Alcee L. Hastings
Member of Congress