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House of Representatives
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Dear Friends:

I write to wish you all a *Ramadan Mubarak* and express my hope that you find peace and renewal during this special month of spiritual reflection. The past two years have reaffirmed for all of us the importance of community and the joy created by coming together. I hope members of the Muslim community in Maryland's Fifth District and across the country can celebrate safely and meaningfully with their loved ones.

In Congress, I've been proud to support religious tolerance, promote cultural diversity, and combat racism and xenophobia. It is an honor to serve as Majority Leader in a House Democratic Caucus that is more diverse and reflective than ever before of the nation it represents. In the 117th Congress, our Majority passed the Combating International Islamophobia Act to address the global rise of Islamophobia and better protect Muslim communities against violence and discrimination. With your help, we will continue to make America a place where we celebrate diversity, inclusivity, and equality. Our Democratic Majority remains committed to passing legislation that helps all of our people get ahead, access opportunities, and pursue their dreams free from the barriers of intolerance and injustice. I look forward to continuing to work closely with my colleagues in pursuit of that goal this year.

I also want to thank Islamic Relief USA for the humanitarian and anti-poverty work it has done to lift up Americans who are in need and to fight poverty around the world. Its support of local organizations like the Al-Huda summer youth program and Ansaar ul-Birr Community Services helps address food insecurity for Marylanders and positively impacts our communities. I appreciate and am inspired by those efforts.

Again, I join in wishing you a very blessed Ramadan. I hope you find your strength, gratitude, and faith renewed. With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

STENY H. HOYER
HOUSE MAJORITY LEADER