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Dear Members of the Muslim American Community,

To our Muslim community in California and beyond, I wish you a peaceful and blessed Ramadan. As we commence this sacred month, let it serve as a reminder of the principles observed by over a billion people across the world: patience, compassion, reflection, and gratitude.

This year's observance comes as Muslim communities around the world face tremendous pain. My heart goes out to those who have lost loved ones, homes, and livelihoods. I pray this month is able to lead to greater peace and justice.

This month encourages us to reflect on the value of the opportunities and relationships we may overlook in our daily lives. Islamic Relief USA's unwavering dedication to charity serves as a beacon of hope and reminder of the importance of community, empathy, and compassion.

I am particularly inspired by your generous efforts in the East Bay in collaboration with the Support Life Foundation, where your contributions made positive impacts on the lives of community members in the 12th District.

I hope that this Ramadan is filled with peace and joy for all of your loved ones. Ramadan Mubarak!

Sincerely,

Barbara Lee

Member of Congress

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