I want to extend my warmest greetings and best wishes as we begin the holy month of Ramadan.

Muslims around the world observe Ramadan by fasting from sunrise to sunset, engaging in spiritual reflection, and performing charitable acts. It also provides an opportunity for reflection, guidance, and time with family, friends, and loved ones.

As we continue to grapple with the COVID-19 pandemic, Ramadan provides an important opportunity for our community to gather and be reminded that there is much more that unites us than divides us.

I am grateful to have a large and thriving Muslim community that calls Queens home. I am also proud of the contributions the community has made and continues to make in my district.

My best wishes to you for a Ramadan filled with acceptance, compassion, and forgiveness.

Ramadan Mubarak!