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Throughout the month of August Muslims celebrate Ramadan, the most sacred of times for the Islamic religion. It is a month for reflecting on the Koran and seeking closeness to God.

Ramadan is a period of religious devotion and fellowship. As family and friends gather to share meals, they rejoice in God's many blessings.

Sue and I send our warmest wishes to our Soldiers and their Families observing this Holy time.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Mark P. Hertling in purple ink.

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