I send my best wishes to those gathered together in celebration of the 2020 Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Medals presentation.

America is blessed with unparalleled strength and prosperity thanks to millions of government employees who serve our country each and every day. From the lifesaving work of first responders to the stewardship of our children that teachers embrace, our Nation is intimately dependent on its dedicated public servants.

The First Lady and I congratulate the 2020 finalists and winners for embracing the honor of serving one’s fellow Americans in government.

I hope this year’s ceremony is joyous, memorable, and marked by the fellowship of our Nation’s great public servants.