



A MESSAGE FROM INTERIM PRESIDENT

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MEMORIAL DAY

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Let us pause for a moment to remember the citizens of this country who lost their lives while serving in the United States military.

As a nation and as individuals, we acknowledge their sacrifice by setting aside the last Monday in May to mourn for these fallen heroes. May their courage and dedication never be forgotten, as we are all forever grateful for their ultimate sacrifice.

This Memorial Day another kind of courage deserves to be noted: the courage shown by the essential workers who lost their lives in the fight against COVID-19. They faced no tanks, no bombs, no gunfire, but their heroism is just as remarkable as that of the doughboys who braved the trenches on the Eastern Front or the G.I.s who stormed the beaches of Normandy.

A Memorial Day tradition is a national moment of remembrance, which takes place at 3:00 PM local time, on the Monday the holiday is observed. I urge you to observe this tradition and contemplate not only what our Military has done for us, but the possibility of a world in which war no longer exists. Join us as we remember and honor our heroes.

Campus flags are flown at half-mast in observance of the holiday, and in honor of the members of the military and the essential workers who fought so valiantly to keep us safe and well, at home and abroad.

We are richer for their contributions, and poorer for their loss.

Mil gracias y bendiciones,

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