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Dear Friends.

It is with pleasure that I extend greetings to the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners and all the participants of this Battlefield Cross Memorial Dedication.

It is truly an honor to pay tribute to the fallen service members of Pinellas County through the dedication of the Battlefield Cross Memorial. Since the Civil War, unit commanders have seen the commemorative value of these memorials and have encouraged the members of their units to honor their fallen soldiers through the Battlefield Cross. I consider it a great honor to give my respects to all veterans present at this memorial dedication, and to remember those service members from Pinellas County who paid the ultimate sacrifice.

The service of these fallen soldiers from our district in Desert Storm, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation New Dawn is truly invaluable and deserves to be recognized and honored through a memorial event like this one, and I would like to take this opportunity to give my gratitude and respects to the families of the fallen service members who we remember here today.

On behalf of the constituents of the Fourteenth Congressional District of Florida, I extend my best wishes for the ceremony continued success and thank you for your service to our great nation.

Sincerely,

Kathy Castor United States Representative Florida, District 14