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I am pleased to join in celebrating the 60th anniversary of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW).

At the heart of our Nation's progress are stories of ordinary individuals doing extraordinary work. For six decades, members of NASW have lifted up lives by embracing the core values of their profession, giving of themselves in a spirit of service and justice to recognize the inherent dignity and importance of all people. Guided by these tenets and by a vision for a future of opportunity for all, social workers offer hope in underserved places and reaffirm the timeless American belief that those who love our country can change it.

As you reflect on 60 years of service, I hope you take pride in all you have accomplished. You have my best wishes for continuing your important work in the decades to come.

