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As we all go our separate ways this Memorial Day weekend. I urge everyone to

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remember the heroic sacrifice of the men and women who died in defense of our

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country while serving in the United States military. It is the dedication and

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commitment of these men and women, those who were willing to make the ultimate

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sacrifice for the principles of our nation, that have made the United States

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the greatest country on Earth. As a Navy pilot who flew combat in Iraq and

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Afghanistan, I have witnessed the tremendous sacrifice brave Americans

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have made on behalf of our country. I'll never forget those with whom I served

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who did not make it home, nor the brave men and women on whose legacy we all

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stand today, including those who lost their lives in service to their country

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on NASA missions. It is critical for us  
to pause on the somber weekend to honor