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Good afternoon. I'm deeply appreciative of your efforts today to mark the 100th anniversary of the U.S. Naval Reserve. I'm also grateful you chose to invite me to be part of this celebration.

Thank you to all the Naval Reserve members who have or are serving in the youngest of our military reserve bodies. You provide important and continued strategic depth and operational capability to the Navy, Marine Corps, and Joint Forces. And you do it while carrying out your daily responsibilities in civilian life. A good example is Dr. Jonathan Bush, who helped organize today's event. In civilian life he is associate dean of our College of Arts and Sciences.

- A special note of thanks goes to our students, faculty and staff who have chosen to attend today in uniform. And welcome to our guests from off campus who have taken time from a busy day to be here and note this milestone event for the U.S. Naval Reserve.

The addition of this print to the Office of Military and Veterans affairs will add perspective for all who visit this office. We want everyone to be aware of the ties we have with all branches of the service. And this anniversary print will add more dimension to their understanding.

Thank you for this commemorative print and thank you for your service and for reminding us just how long your units have protected our nation.