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To the Hospital Corpsmen,

On behalf of all of Navy Medicine, I extend our sincere and most heartfelt congratulations to the men and women of the Hospital Corps as you celebrate your 110th anniversary.

You have played a critical role in the success of the Navy and Marine Corps team throughout the years. Your mere presence on the battlefield, shipboard and in hospitals has and continues to provide our Sailors and Marines with the confidence to complete their mission. Iwo Jima, Tarawa, Midway, Wake Island, Chosin Reservoir, Hue City, Fallujah, Ramadi and countless other unnamed highways, hills and forests have been witness to the courage and sacrifice of the hospital corps.

As we celebrate the Hospital Corps' 110th birthday, be assured that every Sailor and Marine as well as their families are deeply grateful to you. We also thank your families whose dedication and support of you has made your accomplishments possible. Our Navy Medicine family honors the memories of the Corpsmen who made the ultimate sacrifice. We also offer heartfelt prayers for a speedy and complete recovery to those wounded in the service of our nation. Happy birthday Hospital Corps! And thank you for a job well done!

Sincerely,

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