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Statement on The Inauguration of President Joseph R. Biden Jr. and Vice President Kamala Devi Harris

"As Joe Biden is sworn in as the 46th President of the United States, our nation turns the page towards a brighter, more optimistic future for all Americans. I want to offer my sincere and heartfelt congratulations to President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris.

"As a woman and person of color, Vice President Harris has shattered one of the last remaining glass ceilings in American politics. President Biden is assembling the most racially diverse presidential Cabinet in the history of the United States, reflecting the country's changing demographics.

"President Biden enters the Presidency inheriting a divided nation, fragile economy, and a country still plagued by the COVID-19 pandemic, which has killed over 400,000 Americans.

"President Biden and Vice President Harris have their work cut out for them.

"I have faith in this administration's ability to heal our nation, lead with science and truth, and restore America's role as a respected leader abroad.

"It is important that they succeed, and I am ready to help us build back better."