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Dear Friends,

To the family, friends, and comrades of the fallen officers, please accept my sincere apologies for not being with you today for the unveiling of the Florida Highway Patrol Memorial. Unfortunately due to circumstances beyond my control, I was required to stay in Tallahassee, but I am with you in spirit.

Regrettably there have been 37 Florida Highway Patrol troopers killed in the line-of-duty while serving and protecting the citizens of Florida. The first trooper was killed on December 5, 1941, exactly 60 years ago today.

The word sacrifice is defined as "the offering of something precious." The troopers commemorated today have given the ultimate sacrifice, their lives, in the line of duty.

I would like to thank the numerous contributors who made this Memorial Project possible. Their generosity will enable all of us to have a tangible reminder of these fallen heroes.

Sincerely,

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