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Statement from the President

My fellow Americans, today we are celebrating Memorial Day. Memorial Day is a day meant for honoring and mourning our fallen military servicemen and servicewomen. Memorial Day was made a holiday in 1868 and since then we have celebrated Memorial Day every last Monday of the month of May. American servicemen and servicewomen put their lives on the line to protect this great country and its interest. They are willing to go into the worst places in order to ensure Americans at home stay safe from threats abroad.

Since the very beginning of our military, even before that when we were all just colonists putting ourselves together as militias to take down a common enemy, they have always fought for the American way of life. When I served this great nation as a Navy Seal I truly learned that serving this country means so much more than I thought it meant. I always knew it was a great thing and a true service to this country but when you are actually serving in the military it changes everything about how you view this country and the military. Our servicemen and servicewomen are willing to do what they have to do, even if it means putting their lives directly at risk, to ensure the American people can have peaceful and free lives.

Today all Americans are honoring and mourning our fallen servicemen and servicewomen. These military personnel gave the ultimate sacrifice so that we can remain a free nation and go about our lives in a normal manner. To all current members of our military I say thank you for your service to this great nation. To all veterans and former members of our service I say thank you for committing years of your life to serve this great nation. To all of the fallen military personnel, I say thank you for giving the ultimate sacrifice, and thank you for serving this nation to the best of your ability.

Thank you all, God bless you, God bless our military personnel, and may God bless the great United States of America.

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