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The Honorable John Walsh United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Sir,

I wish to commend you on your courage and integrity as you persevere through this difficult time. That there are some who politick against your military and civil service is unconscionable.

You have earned my highest regard through your leadership as a commander and mentor. I often recall how your demeanor encouraged me to find the positive outlook despite the fear of the unknown and fateful consequences of the most mundane of decisions.

I will always remember the great support you provided me when I held command of Bravo during mid-tour leave. Presented with unimaginable situations, I am ever thankful to have called upon your guidance and for your resolve to delve into any matter while managing the complex sociopolitical and tribal factions of Iraq.

Seeing you continue to serve our veterans at the Missoula Veteran's Cemetery dedication was another profound moment. For me, this significant achievement was tempered by a resurgence of stress. Yet, our brief conversation significantly lifted my spirits.

Your constant disposition to accept any situation and your enthusiasm to develop solutions, is truly remarkable. Having led from the front during combat, to your service in Montana and the Senate, your achievements and ceaseless concern of all soldiers cannot be overshadowed.

I am grateful for your service to the great veterans and citizens of Montana and our Nation and look forward to your next great accomplishment.

Very truly yours,

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