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GREGORY W. MEEKS
FIFTH DISTRICT, NEW YORK

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Adelphi University
1 South Avenue
Garden, NY 11530

Dear Friends:

As an Alumnus of this preeminent institution, I am thrilled to offer my felicitations to the Adelphi community and the honorees of Adelphi University's 18th Annual Presidential Gala: the Adelphi 7 Sisters, and Nicholas Papain.

Adelphi University is truly a mark of excellence for New York, and I am elated to send my warmest regards to each of you who will be in attendance on this special occasion. I remember well my days as a student engaging as a community advocate on campus, and learning the virtues of service. I walked away well prepared academically, but as an African American student, I also had the benefit of a community of support in my classmates. Those bonds have turned into lifelong friendships that I continue to treasure.

I am proud that Adelphi remains dedicated to cultivating and preparing current and future leaders. Every year the President's Gala raises funds to assist both undergrad and graduate students with their academic pursuits. My alma mater is one that is dedicated to providing students with a deep rooted sense of excellence in all they do. This gala provides a great opportunity for us to continue to invest in that excellence and the next generation of leaders.

Once again, I applaud each and every one of you being honored. It is important that we continue to exalt those who emanate the values of Adelphi University, and pave the way for others to create their own paths.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gregory W. Meeks". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Gregory W. Meeks
Member of Congress