

MEMORANDUM

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FROM: John Sewell

These are some excerpts from a speech Governor Musgrove gave in September following the attacks. I hope they are useful for you. Thanks. Call with any questions; 359-2916.

We are all simply Americans – a quality we all share, and one that can't be taken from us. We are "one nation, under God." Our future is strong because our faith is secure.

Let's stand strong together. Let's recognize that we are all in this together. We have to respect our fellow Americans of Arab descent, and those millions of Americans who practice Islam. They are not the enemy.

We need to remember the words of the Reverend Martin Luther King, who spoke of a day when men were judged not by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.