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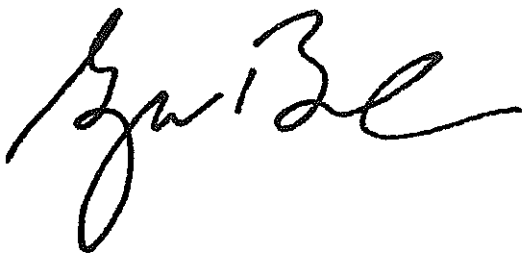
I am pleased to send greetings to the Federal employees celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Federal Executive Boards.

Our Nation depends on the hundreds of thousands of Federal employees who work to ensure that government functions effectively. These dedicated men and women deliver services that are important to our communities and to our way of life.

The Federal Executive Boards make government more efficient by coordinating Federal activities on the local level. The Boards play a vital role in responding to emergency situations such as the national tragedy of September 11. The Boards helped coordinate security efforts and blood drives, and provided local Federal communities with timely information and counseling for affected employees.

I commend members of the Federal Executive Boards for their hard work in making the Federal government more citizen-centered, results-oriented, and market-based. Best wishes as you celebrate this milestone.