

Nancy Pelosi Democratic Leader

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Dear Friends:

It is my great honor to bring greetings on the occasion of Emerge America's Third Annual "Celebrating Women Trailblazers" Luncheon. It is indeed a personal pleasure to recognize and honor my dear friend Susie Tompkins Buell, a great leader and champion for women and girls.

Susie has devoted her life to making the future better. Her advocacy and encouragement for women to get involved in government will positively shape the landscape of our country for years to come.

Thank you to Emerge America for being an indispensable organization steadfastly committed to preparing women to run for public office. I firmly believe that if we reduce the role of money in politics and increase the level of civility in campaigns we will elect more women. And because of the work of Emerge America and Susie Buell Tompkins, more women will be ready to run.

We will unleash the power of our nation's women – and when women succeed, America succeeds. Thank you and congratulations to Susie. Best wishes to Emerge America for a memorable and successful event.

best regards,

Pelosi