

## Association Alsace Etats-Unis

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Le Président

February 19, 2021

Mr. Joe R. Biden President of the United States of America The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

We wish to extend our most sincere congratulations to you for your electoral success last November and for choosing Mrs Harris as your Vice-President.

Our Association was founded in Strasbourg, France as a sign of friendship with the American people in 1976, the year of the Bicentennial.

Our city remembers with great pride the visit of President Obama to the NATO summit back in 2009.

It would mean a lot to the people of Alsace if you would accept our invitation to include Strasbourg in one of your future meetings on European soil. Our city is home of several European institutions including the Parliament of the European Union and of the Council of Europe where the US Government is permanently represented by the Ambassador to France and the Strasbourg based Consul General (Mrs. D. Paradiso).

The last four years have raised great concern among the population following the most unexpected decisions made by your predecessor. We believe that the recent decisions to revitalize multilateral policies will bring back the United States to the level that we've always admired and supported.

Our community includes several Associations in Strasbourg, Colmar, Nancy etc. with whom we share a true bond with America: Americans in Alsace (expatriots from the US and Canada), The American Field Service (worldwide one-year Exchange Programs for High School students), Strasbourg Amitié USA (exchange programs and language camps for teens to and from the US) and several others in sports, culture, history etc.

Each of us, in our own way, take part in the people-to-people diplomacy which we know is dear to your heart.

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