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Greetings to the veterans of the USS FRANK KNOX (DDR-742) as you gather for your reunion.

Your crews served the United States with honor and distinction during crucial periods in our history. We owe our liberties to the sacrifices of people who, like you, were willing to risk their lives for freedom. I know you join me in honoring your fallen comrades.

Each of you embodies the pride, professionalism, and accomplishment that make the United States Navy one of the finest fighting forces the world has ever known. I salute you for your distinguished record of service, and I hope that you will enjoy your time together as you reflect on the bonds you share.

Best wishes for a memorable reunion.

Bill Clinton