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Congratulations on the landmark signing of the Sister Park Arrangement between the Pearl Harbor National Memorial and Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park.

As a son of Hawai'i, I have always held the brave Americans who died at Pearl Harbor close to my heart. And as the first sitting U.S. President to visit Hiroshima, I know how important it is to pursue a world without nuclear weapons.

My visit to Hiroshima and Prime Minister Abe's visit to Pearl Harbor were key steps in deepening the alliance between our nations. This agreement today marks another historic accomplishment.

By connecting our two peoples to our shared past, we can build a shared future grounded in peace and cooperation. I look forward to the continued strengthening of the US-Japan friendship, and I extend my gratitude to everyone who made today's agreement possible.

