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Jill and I send our warm greetings to the Specter family and to all those attending the grand opening of the Arlen Specter U.S. Squash Center—the home of Team USA.

My dear friend Arlen was a great Senator—dignified, courageous, and always a fighter. He was a great voice of compromise on behalf of Pennsylvania in the United States Senate. Arlen was tenacious, a quality that he demonstrated on and off the Senate floor. This included sports and, notably, the squash court. Arlen loved playing squash and was known to carry his racket wherever he traveled. He was tough on the court and relished a challenge. He channeled that same determination in everything he did.

Arlen's activist spirit—at the national level and in his beloved Philadelphia—is reflected through the work of his devoted family and the enthusiasm of the educational, community, political, and business leaders who helped create this eponymous facility and make this formal dedication honoring Arlen possible. Thanks to your support, the Arlen Specter U.S. Squash Center will now foster community among children and families of all backgrounds and attract people who already share his love of the sport as well as those new to the game.

May Arlen's memory continue to be a blessing, and may his legacy continue to inspire us all.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Biden". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left.