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Dear Lou Gordon:

It is a pleasure for me to have this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to everyone participating in the sixth annual In the Trenches Award Ceremony. I am sorry that my Senate calendar does not permit me to join you on this momentous occasion; however, please know that my well wishes and good thoughts are with you as you honor twenty-nine outstanding men and women for wonderful accomplishments they have achieved.

The Change Agents Award is given to you with pleasure to reinforce the accomplishments that you have made during your elevation in mind and spirit to give back to humanity. It is an already great task to make a positive, personal change; it is even greater when that same change is shared with others. Your presence in the community has undoubtedly inspired others to use the events of their past as motivations to make their futures brighter. Thank you for providing the spark. You and your actions are truly catalysts for change.

As a United States Senator representing the people of California, I commend all of you for your devotion to positive improvement, both as an individual and a member of the community as a whole, and thank the organizers of this evening's event for the opportunity to share in this wonderful occasion.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dianne Feinstein". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D".

Dianne Feinstein
United States Senator