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I send my warmest greetings to all those gathered for the 2023 Innovation Gala to celebrate the 55th anniversary of The Chemotherapy Foundation.

Like so many Americans, the pain of cancer and the devastation left in its wake are personal for me and my family. No one should have to experience this trauma, and that is why the First Lady and I reignited the Cancer Moonshot, setting ambitious goals to cut the cancer death rate by at least half in the next 25 years and improve the experience of patients and families. Through our work with partners from the private sector like The Chemotherapy Foundation—as well as other organizations, academic institutions, and health care providers—we are driving progress to meet these goals.

Jill and I applaud the tireless devotion and decades-long legacy of The Chemotherapy Foundation in advancing groundbreaking cancer research. For 55 years, you have been a beacon of hope, reminding us of what we can accomplish when we work together to tackle our greatest challenges. By finding and funding innovative researchers and providing them with sustained support as they navigate long periods of testing and development, you are driving breakthroughs that are saving lives and turning more cancer diagnoses from death sentences into treatable diseases.

To all those gathered for tonight's gala: I am grateful for your leadership and for the ways you inspire optimism in patients and their loved ones across our country and beyond. You represent the science and humanity that will lead us to end cancer as we know it, once and for all.