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I offer my congratulations to the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) as you celebrate your 90th anniversary.

Nine decades ago, as our Nation was reeling from the Great Depression, the Tennessee Valley was a tough place to live, let alone raise a family and grow a community. Floods swept away homes, a lack of electricity kept so many in the dark, and the people of the Tennessee Valley were among the hardest hit.

I've often said that America can be defined in one word: possibilities. With the Tennessee Valley Authority Act, hope, opportunity, and dignity were returned to so many in the region. The hard-working Americans who worked for the TVA tamed the Tennessee Valley's tough terrain and harnessed natural resources to bring power and prosperity to the region, lifting everyone up, keeping them safe, and giving them an opportunity to thrive. And that work helped make the Tennessee Valley what it is today: a great home to so many, a fantastic community full of beautiful and productive waterways, and an integral part of our Nation's story and success.

The TVA is proof that there is nothing our Nation cannot do when we do it together. And today, I hope you not only celebrate all that you have accomplished but also take pride in carrying its legacy forward.

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