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The 200th year of the Great Experiment afforded to me the glorious opportunity of repeating for the nation the wise and inspiring message of President George Washington's Farewell Address. It is a remarkable document that has a constant thread of a true American, a true believer in peace and progress. As we begin our new century, it is my hope that we renew the spirit of Washington for a world of peace and liberty for all time.

Thanks to my countrymen for giving me this honor today.

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