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Dear friends of Harrisburg,

Today, July 4th, is a special day for the United States, which is celebrating its Independence Day. We wish you a wonderful national holiday! I hope you're having wonderful weather on this holiday and that your parade was a success!

For our part, the US Consulate in Rennes celebrated this event, and Consul Cintora gave a wonderful speech, recalling the historical ties and French-American friendship. She even mentioned the sister cities agreement of Harrisburg and Bréal-sous-Montfort as one of the year's events that have helped strengthen this friendship between our two countries. During this celebration, I met Ms Virginia Manhard Lubin, the president of the French-American Institute of Rennes. I told her about the history that unites our two cities. She thought it was great and she promised to help us with our sister-cities efforts.

Attached are two photos taken during the Independence Day celebration with Ms. Cintora, as well as an article from the Ouest-France newspaper reporting on the Zoom conversation between our two town halls, with Ms. Cintora in attendance.

Thank you again for all the documents and photos you sent us after the Zoom meeting, especially Mayor Duncan's speech, which was truly beautiful and moving! Thank you also for the translations; that was very kind of you!

Happy Independence Day to all!

Best regards, Thierry