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Dear Friends,

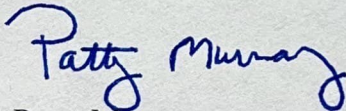
Thank you for the kind invitation to your Diwali - Lights of India celebration. While I am not able to attend in person, I want to extend my sincerest wishes to all of you and our Hindu, Jain, Sikh, and Buddhist communities in Washington for a bright and meaningful Diwali.

By marking the triumph of good over evil, knowledge over ignorance, and light over darkness, Diwali brings a message of hope—that dark times will not last and light will prevail.

Congratulations to Northwest SHARE, President Harry Terhanian, Director Latha Sambamurti, Vedic Cultural Center, and Seattle Center for organizing this wonderful event as part of Festal and to all of the volunteers, artists, performers, and staff who made this possible.

I am grateful to you for sharing your traditions and bringing community together and hope everyone attending enjoys the fun, food, and fellowship this event has to offer.

Happy Diwali,



Patty Murray
United States Senator