

## OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT WASHINGTON

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I am happy to send my warm congratulations to Tom Ferree and the great team at Connected Nation as you celebrate your Digital Works program's 1,000th job placement.

One of my key initiatives as Second Lady is to help elevate and encourage our Nation's military spouses, and I've been inspired to see the way you've come alongside military spouses to provide training and meaningful career opportunities that offer competitive wages, flexibility, and the chance for portable careers.

It was blessing for me to visit Fort Campbell earlier this year to learn firsthand about the extraordinary work this community is doing to address military spouse employment solutions. Thank you for your efforts to bolster the good work taking place at Fort Campbell, as well as Fort Knox, to afford military spouses the opportunity to learn a high-demand skillset and secure employment that taps into their extraordinary talents.

As you celebrate Digital Works' wonderful milestone of 1,000 job placements, congratulations to you and all of the graduates. Thank you for your ongoing work to lift up so many lives, including our cherished military families and veterans. The Vice President and I wish you the very best as you continue to bridge the digital divide and expand your programs into additional communities.

Sincerely,

Karen Pence

Mrs. Karen Pence Second Lady of the United States