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FIFTH DISTRICT
INDIANA

Dear USS Indianapolis Commissioning Committee,

I write you to express my dearest appreciation and support for the commissioning of the USS Indianapolis LCS 17. This new Freedom-class Littoral Combat Ship will prepare our country for future challenges we may face, equip the men and women of the United States Navy, and serve our nation alongside the most powerful naval fleet in the world.

For years, you as well as the crew and officers have devoted your time, energy and careers to bringing the USS Indianapolis LSC 17 to completion and I applaud your endeavors. You all should be extremely proud of the dedication you have displayed and I thank you for your commitment to our country and its people. The USS Indianapolis LCS 17 will be a proud representation of our state's and city's heritage and legacy. I hope Hoosiers take time to learn of the important history of the current and past naval vessels who bear the name, Indianapolis. It is an honor to support this mission and I encourage others to join me.

Congratulations again on the commissioning and completion of the USS Indianapolis LCS 17. I cannot overstate the appreciation and gratitude I feel towards our men and women of the United States Armed Forces. You all have served to ensure our homeland remains safe and protected, and liberty and freedom are available for all. On behalf of the people of Indiana and a grateful nation, I thank you and commend you for all you have done and will continue to do. I look forward to seeing the USS Indianapolis LCS 17 commissioned into the fleet of the United States Navy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susan W. Brooks". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Susan W. Brooks
Member of Congress