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UNITED STATES SENATOR
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Dear Friends,

I am pleased to extend warm greetings to all who are gathered for the Unmanned Systems Symposium hosted by the Ridge and Valley Chapter of the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International (AUVSI).

The applications and potential uses of unmanned systems cannot be overestimated. From precision agriculture to powerline and bridge inspection to search-and-rescue operations, the potential for this technology is nearly limitless. In order to ensure that this technology continues to progress in a collaborative and safe way, we need to engage in conversations with industry, government, and academic stakeholders. I am encouraged by your participation in this event to continue this exchange of ideas around cultivating trust in autonomous systems. You can count on me as a partner in these endeavors.

I wish you the very best for a successful and informative event.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark R. Warner".

MARK R. WARNER
United States Senator