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The 2017 participants of The American Legion Mountaineer Boys State:

It is my honor to congratulate you on being chosen for the American Legion Mountaineer Boys State. As the best and brightest in West Virginia, you now have the opportunity to work together on many of the most pressing issues facing our communities on the local and state levels.

During this program, you will benefit from the exposure to all aspects of civic life; from the legislative process to our judicial system. Throughout this week you will learn the rights and privileges of citizenship, as well as the responsibility each of you have to your hometowns, and our country.

As one of West Virginia's premier leadership courses for young men, Mountaineer Boys State offers you the remarkable opportunity to grow and become the leaders of tomorrow. It is here, where you can forge friendships and build relationships that will last for many years to come. In fact, it is often said that the American Legion Boys State program is "a week that shapes a lifetime," and it is my hope that it will shape yours.

Congratulations and good luck!

Sincerely,



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