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Warm greetings to all those gathered to celebrate the 200th birthday of our nation's 18th President, Ulysses S. Grant.

This bicentennial gives all Americans the opportunity to reflect on Grant's enduring legacy of saving our Union on the battlefield, then making it more perfect in his two terms as President.

Grant faithfully worked to carry forward Lincoln's vision of Reconstruction, oversaw the passage of the 15th Amendment, and soundly defeated the Ku Klux Klan. In a time of growing divisive tribalism, his actions to heal our nation and defend the foundations of our democracy are more important than ever.

Thank you for your efforts to share more broadly the legacy of President Grant, who I am glad is finally beginning to receive the historic recognition he so richly deserves. I wish you all a wonderful celebration at his final resting place.

*Bill Clinton*