



UNITED STATES SENATE
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Kelly A. Ayotte
New Hampshire

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Dear Friends,

I'm pleased to welcome everyone to the 2nd annual Connor's Climb 5K and Family Walk. This is an important opportunity to raise greater awareness of teen suicide and help support important suicide education and prevention programs.

Too many lives in New Hampshire and across our country have been touched by the tragedy of suicide, and we need to work together to bring greater attention to early warning signs, as well as reduce stigma, so that families and friends are better able to help loved ones who may be struggling. Connor's Climb and events like it play an important part in that effort. Having such strong support from the community for our friends, families, and neighbors plays a vital part in helping those who are struggling get the help and support they need and deserve.

I would like to thank the founders, organizers, and sponsors of this year's Connor's Climb – especially Tara Ball, who has devoted so much time and energy to this very personal mission. I would also like to thank those who are participating in today's 5K. Your support of Connor's Climb will ensure that more schools in New Hampshire are able to receive training through the Signs of Suicide program, which will serve to raise awareness and help prevent the tragedy of suicide.

Working together, we can help save lives.

Warm Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kelly A. Ayotte".

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