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“I was shocked and disgusted to see the video that appears to show U.S. Marines desecrating bodies in Afghanistan. Such behavior is not reflective of those who risk their lives daily, nor does it reflect the high moral standards that we expect of the U.S. military.

“There is no excuse for such disrespectful behavior. People here at home and around the world must see what we know our service men and women to be--the most honorable and dedicated servants who protect our way of life.

“My sympathy goes out to those who were affected or offended by the actions of the Marines who made that decision. May it serve as a lesson to all of us to always act with respect to human life.”