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Dear Members and Guests of the Schlierachtaler Stamm,

For 75 years the Schlierachtaler Stamm has preserved Bavarian folkloric traditions and promoted the German language. The German immigrants who founded the Schlierachtaler Stamm in 1928 were proud Americans, but they were also proud of their German roots.

Building the future on the strength of the past is the goal of the Schlierachtaler Stamm. A future with strong ties of friendship between the United States and Germany is my goal as well.

German-Americans are the largest ethnic group in this country. Without them, this country would not be the United States of America we know, the country that has been our friend and ally for more than half a century.

I would like to wish the Schlierachtaler Stamm – *75 Jahre jung – weiterhin viel Erfolg!*

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