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**United States Senate**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

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Dear 2022 Mountaineer Boy's State Participant,

It is my honor to congratulate and welcome you to the prestigious 83<sup>rd</sup> American Legion Mountaineer Boys State. As the most qualified and intelligent young men in our state, you have been granted the opportunity to work on critical issues impacting our local and state governments, while also learning how our judicial system functions.

You will be amongst many others who have walked the coveted grounds of beautiful Jackson's Mill. From political leaders and government officials, to CEO's and small business owners, these individuals all have this wonderful West Virginia tradition in common. Boys State is among one of the most renowned institutional programs for young men who gain valuable experience within the realm of public service and leadership qualities. Our program is the second oldest charter in the country and continues to instill West Virginia Appalachian values in our high school seniors.

My father Arch A. Moore Jr., who served three terms as West Virginia's Governor and six terms in the United States House of Representatives held this program dear to his heart due to the valuable skills and knowledge gained to learn the rights and privileges of citizenship, as well as the remarkable opportunity to grow and become the leaders of tomorrow.

I have met many outstanding leaders in West Virginia during my time serving in the United States Senate and House of Representatives, many of which, were at the American Legion Mountaineer Boys State. I truly hope you enjoy your time at Boys State and thank you for dedicating a week to learning more about our government and how you can make a vital difference in our state and country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Shelley Moore Capito".

Shelley Moore Capito  
United States Senator