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Dear colleagues,

While the international uproar over tariffs threatens to upend the economies of our respective communities, we write to reaffirm our friendship and unique interdependence. Ours is a cherished relationship that is founded not only on mutual financial advantages but also on centuries-old familial and cultural bonds that supersede politics.

We are keenly aware of the effects these tariffs have on citizens on both sides of the border. Businesses small and large that employ citizens in the US and Canada are already facing severe consequences from the trade war as the tariffs make life increasingly more expensive for our people and our businesses.

As Governors of the Northeast, we want to keep open lines of communication and cooperation and identify avenues to overcome the hardship of these uninvited tariffs and help our economies endure. As we continue to navigate this period of great uncertainty, we are committed to preserving cross border travel, encouraging tourism in our respective jurisdictions, and promoting each other's advantages and amenities.

To that end, we invite you to join us for an in-person convening in Boston, Massachusetts, to be held in the coming weeks. We will be in touch to discuss your availability for this meeting. We look forward to hearing from you as we continue to work towards our shared priorities.

Sincerely,

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