

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-0908

September 17, 2025

The Rt Hon Keir Starmer, the Prime Minister
10 Downing Street
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Dear Prime Minister:

We are a group of sitting U.S. senators who support President Trump's commitment to saving the life of the unjustly imprisoned Jimmy Lai and securing his release. As Mr. Lai is a U.K. citizen, we ask that you support this most urgent mission by discussing Mr. Lai's plight with the president during his state visit to the U.K.

Like our president, we share Mr. Lai's values and admire his struggle for freedom, democracy, and the rule of law. We are encouraged by the U.S. and U.K. Governments' determination to free Mr. Lai. We know it will be difficult and that the U.K. will need to explore all possible avenues and use every tool at its disposal to secure Mr. Lai's freedom.

This mission is urgent. Mr. Lai is 77, diabetic, and has recently been put on a heart monitor. He has been wrongly imprisoned for five years, and every day he spends in prison increases his risk of an untimely death. We cannot let that happen.

Time is running out for Mr. Lai. It is vital that the U.S. and the U.K. stand together in doing what is right.

Sincerely,



Rick Scott
United States Senator



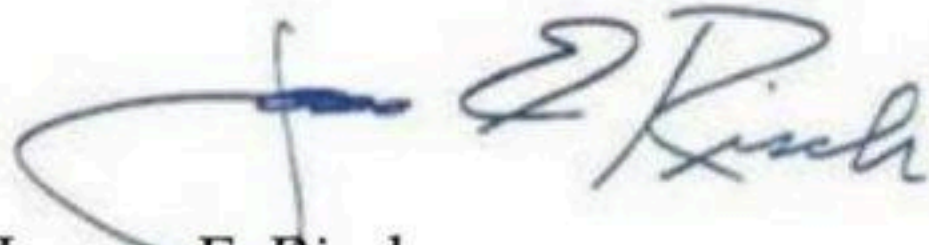
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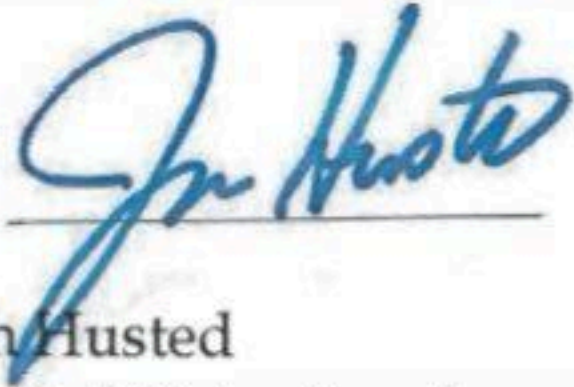


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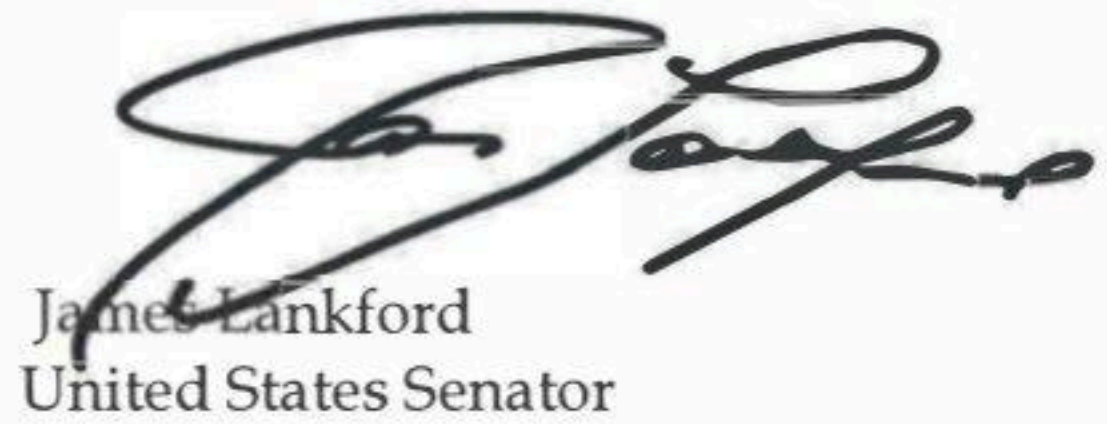
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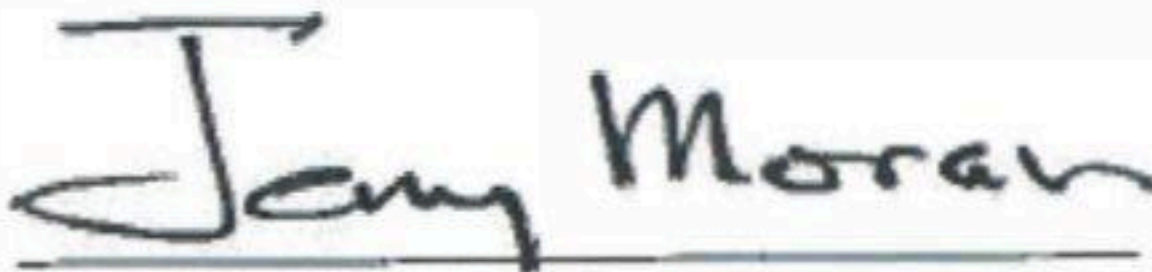
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