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Dear Colleagues:

When things are difficult, I sometimes read a poem written on the wall of Mother Teresa's children's home in Calcutta.

People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered.  
**Forgive them anyway.**

If you are kind,  
people may accuse you of selfish ulterior motives.  
**Be kind anyway.**

If you are successful,  
you will win some false friends and some true enemies.  
**Succeed anyway.**

If you are honest and frank,  
people may cheat you.  
**Be honest and frank anyway.**

What you spend years building,  
someone could destroy overnight.  
**Build anyway.**

If you find serenity and happiness,  
they may be jealous.  
**Be happy anyway.**

The good you do today,  
people will often forget tomorrow.  
**Do good anyway.**

Give the world the best you have,  
and it may never be enough.  
**Give the best you've got anyway.**

You see,  
**In the final analysis it is between you and God;  
It was never between you and them anyway.**

It has been my honor to serve with you in the United States House of Representatives. Due to the difficulties of my current circumstances, I can no longer effectively serve. I will resign from Congress effective March 31, 2022.