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Service Diplomacy; Lasting Legacy of the **Martyred President**

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ِمِنَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ رِجَالٌ صَدَقُوا مَا عَاهَدُوا اللَّهَ عَلَيْهِ فَمِنْهُمْ مَنْ قَضَى نَحْبَهُ وَمِنْهُمْ مَنْ يَنْتَظِرُ وَمَا بَدَّلُوا تَبْدِيلًا

"Among the faithful are men who fulfill what they have pledged to Allah: there are some among them who have fulfilled their pledge, and some of them who still wait, and they have not changed in the least" (Holy Qur'an, Surah Al-Ahzab, Verse 23)

The Martyr of the masses and the caretaker of the underprivileged (Ayatollah Seyyed Ebrahim Raisi) had, with a divine intention, undertaken the path of serving his society and uplifting the honor of the country with unparalleled determination. He lit the spark of hope in the hearts of the oppressed.

Like Martyr Haj Qasem Soleimani, Ayatollah Dr. Raisi

was a manifestation of faith, sincerity, and hope and he was distinguished in piety and being a revolutionary like Martyr Beheshti.

From the point of view of the Supreme Leader, he was a mujahid scholar and a president of the masses who was an efficient, hardworking, sincere, and value-oriented servant of his people.

The "Martyr of the Masses" considered compassion towards people and their trust in him as his capital and strength in the path of serving them, and in his consecutive trips to the different provinces of the country, he always was concerned about the people, and his slogan was that "people trusted us and we should be the trustees of their trust."

He would not order anything unless he made sure that it was in the interest of the people, and he believed that a task that would ensure the benefit of the future of people should be implemented as soon as possible. Justice was his slogan, and he paid attention to this important issue in the distribution of resources, and eventually, martyrdom was the reward for his efforts in the path of "Service Diplomacy."

Of course, martyrdom is a gift that God Almighty only bestows on His sincere servants, and blessed are the Martyred President and his companions who received this divine gift, which was the reward for their honest services.

It is hoped that we will be able to continue the path of that martyred Seyyed.