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Dear Nathan,

I love you, buddy. You're getting so big, and I am sorry that I am not there with you. I think about you every day. It's what gives me strength to push on day after day. I hope you will understand one day why I went to Washington, D.C. on January 6th. I went there for you, my son.

I went there because I saw our American democracy slipping away. I saw a once free America that I love turn into the beginning of a Communist state. Your mother escaped Communist China when she was just a baby. How could I let you, our son, grow up in an America that is not free...? I had to do something... So, I went to have my voice heard.

My job as your father is to protect you, our family, and myself. My duty as a patriot is to protect America. Thomas Jefferson said it best when he said, "What country can preserve its liberties if their rulers are not warned from time to time that their people preserve the spirit of resistance." The Spirit of 1776 my son, is the Spirit of Resistance.

We as Americans had to show the world that America's freedom wouldn't be taken without a resistance. The same kind of resistance that my fellow Americans with different political views had been demonstrating throughout 2020. Those Americans poured out into the streets for their views, and J6 patriots poured out for ours, because that is what America is all about.

Nathan, I hope you understand why I couldn't be there with you on your first birthday. And if I could go back and change my decision to go the Capitol on January 6th I would, but I can't.

I am deeply sorry for missing your first birthday.

Daddy loves you and will be home as soon as he can.

Happy Birthday Buddy,

Love Daddy