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A Labor Day Reflection

Happy Labor Day! This holiday typically marks the close to the summer season of the year. While that can be somewhat disheartening, the meaning of Labor Day can be very inspiring. Let's reflect on the following quote and then unbundle it.

If I had asked people what they wanted, they would have asked for a faster horse.
- Henry Ford

This quote brings a wry smile to our face. Henry Ford was a visionary. He knew that it would be easy to simply accept the current way of life and carry on. All would be well! Yes, except that we could make it better. While he may have had the vision, he would need a strong workforce to carry out this vision. Now comes another quote that helps us find the inspiration in this holiday called Labor Day:

Genius begins great works. Labor alone finishes them.
-Joseph Joubert

A strong, committed, and inspired workforce is what has allowed our country to tackle all challenges, deliver on vision, and create a way of life that is unmatched around the world.

Each of us is part of this story. We have chosen careers that were visions of others, but that took a skilled and committed workforce to deliver. We have helped to shape those visions and make them prosper. Today, let's celebrate one another. Arm in arm, heart to heart, and step by step, we have helped to shape the companies that we work for.

Well done! Have a wonderful Labor Day!