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The Summit will feature an official announcement and presentation of the IDC Congressional Champion 2021 Award to the following Senators and Representatives:

Senator Bob Menendez (D-NJ)

Senator Jim Risch (R-ID)

Senator Chris Van Hollen (D-MD)

Senator Todd Young (R-IN)

Representative Ted Deutch (D-FL)

Representative Vicente Gonzalez (D-TX)

Representative Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX)

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