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The holy month of Ramadan 2018 in United States of America began the evening of Tuesday, May 15, and ends in the evening of Thursday, June 14.
(Dates may vary)

*Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar,
a holy time of fasting for many Muslims in the United States
and around the world.
Muslims fast from food and drink all during the daylight hours,
they read the whole of the Qur'an,
and make special efforts for acts of charity.
Fighting is not allowed during this period.*

*This Fast is one of the Five Pillars (fundamental religious duties) of Islam.
It is a time of selfexamination and increased religious devotion.
The practices of Ramadan are done out of deep love for God,
with a genuine virtue of devotion, honest dedication and closeness to Allah,
for this fasting is for Allah and Him alone.*



We wish our Muslim colleagues and students, their families and communities
a blessed month of Ramadan.
May Allah always guide you
and may His blessings shine upon you.