

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

July 16, 2020

Dear Faith Followers of Falun Gong,

As a man of faith, I would like to humbly and personally commend Falun Gong's discipline and core tenets of Truthfulness, Compassion, and Forbearance. It is extremely unfortunate that followers of Falun Gong have been targeted by the Chinese government since 1999. While the dictatorial Chinese Communist Party (CCP) has treated Falun Gong and other religious minorities with cruelty, I am proud to say that your beliefs will always find sanctuary in the United States.

While the persecution of Falun Gong has historically consisted of incarceration, abuse, torture, forced religious conversions, forced labor, and barbaric organ harvesting, Falun Gong's practitioners continued to stage peaceful protests educating Chinese citizens to help combat the spread of disinformation. This peaceful response is a true testament to your beliefs and because of this, America's sympathy remains strong for your virtuous cause.

As your rally begins on July 20, the same date 21 years after the CCP launched a campaign to persecute the Falun Gong, I can only hope the CCP will one day see the truth to your message. Persecution of a group of individuals based on their religious beliefs, including Falun Gong, is an atrocity that must be brought to light.

Until the CCP loosens their restrictions, ends the violence, and betters conditions for Falun Gong and other religious minorities, I will continue to be a vigorous supporter of any legislation supporting religious freedoms worldwide. It continues to sadden and anger me that Falun Gong followers are paying an unfair price for following what they believe in. You can trust my voice and actions will remain strong with you.

Your continued commitment to peace and non-violent efforts to exercise your religious rights is a beacon for other persecuted religious minorities around the world. As I continue my work in Congress, I will continue to admire your international amity and goodwill in the face of persecution. I sincerely hope people from all nations will be given the freedom to practice the religion they chose in the near future.

Thank You and God Bless,



Blaine Luetkemeyer
Member of Congress