

## Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Friends,

I am sorry that we are not able to join together this year in Washington, D.C., but I wish you and your families health and safety during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

The practice of Falun Gong has brought the combination of patient exercise, moral philosophy, and peaceful practice to many practitioners across China and around the world. Despite years of oppression, the influence of this movement has only continued to grow. I support the security of Falun Gong practitioners, and as we approach the 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the beginning of the campaign against practitioners, I stand with you in your call to end the persecution.

I hope that through your advocacy, we will see the day in which all people are free to practice their faith without fear of persecution.

Sincerely,

Paul D. Tonko

Member of Congress