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Dear Falun Gong practitioners and supporters,

I stand in solidarity with you all to condemn the mistreatment and oppression of Falun Gong practitioners in mainland China.

Over two decades have passed since the People's Republic of China began their campaign to ban and forcefully suppress the followers of Falun Gong. Thousands of Falun Gong practitioners are still wrongfully imprisoned and more face severe discrimination in employment, housing, and business opportunities. No one should have to face the fear of retaliation simply for practicing their beliefs.

I was proud to cosponsor a resolution in the 114th Congress condemning state-sanctioned human rights abuses against Falun Gong practitioners in mainland China and was pleased to see it pass the House of Representatives unanimously. However, I remain gravely concerned about the ongoing persecution of Falun Gong practitioners along with other minority religious groups in the country.

As a member of the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission, I am a strong supporter of human rights and religious freedom across the world, and I will continue to stand in support of Falun Gong practitioners looking to practice their beliefs in mainland China.

Sincerely,



Ron Kind
Member of Congress