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Falun Dafa (Gong) Association of Washington D.C. Washington, D.C. 20560

Dear Falun Dafa Association:

Thank you for the invitation to speak at today's rally against ongoing human rights violations and to condemn the 23-year persecution of the Falun Gong by the Chinese Communist Party (CCP).

Over the past two decades, Falun Gong practitioners have faced more CCP persecution than any other group. Millions who practice Falun Gong in China have been imprisoned, tortured, or killed. Reports even indicate that tens of thousands of Falun Gong practitioners have had their organs extracted for a gruesome international trade.

These human rights violations paint a grim picture of the brutal ways the CCP governs. However, it is heartening to see that Falun Gong practitioners launched the largest information freedom campaign in modern Chinese history in response to the persecution. By establishing hundreds of thousands of underground printing houses and finding innovative ways to break through internet firewalls, Falun Gong practitioners are breaking the silence about the CCP's brutal tactics.

Thank you again for allowing me to be a part of this rally. I assure you that I will continue working in Congress to end CCP atrocities and bring justice to the victims.

Sincerely,

Tom Emmer Member of Congress

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