

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

September 19, 2002

H.E. Jiang Zemin  
President  
People's Republic of China

Dear President Jiang:

As you prepare for your meeting with President Bush in Texas in late October, we respectfully ask for your assistance with an urgent humanitarian matter. We hope that your government will respond to the concerns expressed by many Members of Congress regarding Dr. Yang Jianli, a legal U.S. permanent resident who has been detained incommunicado in the People's Republic of China since April 26, 2002.

We believe that a prompt and successful resolution of his case would help to improve the climate between our two countries and to demonstrate the PRC's commitment to internationally recognized principles of human rights.

We understand that Dr. Yang's brother was told by the local authorities that on June 2, 2002, Dr. Yang was arrested and was being held somewhere in Beijing. In violation of PRC and international law, none of Dr. Yang's family members has been allowed to meet with him or has received written notification of his arrest and place of confinement. These factors have prevented Dr. Yang's family from obtaining legal counsel for him.

Dr. Yang's wife and children are American citizens residing in Massachusetts. His detention is a cause of growing pain and anguish to his family. We urge your government to assure that Dr. Yang is given a prompt and fair trial, permitted to meet with his wife and U.S. government representatives, and allowed to return to the United States to rejoin his family as soon as possible. This positive humanitarian gesture would be strongly welcomed by Congress.

Thank you for considering our requests, and for taking the time to address this important matter.

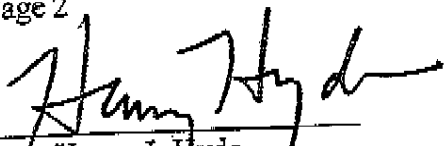
  
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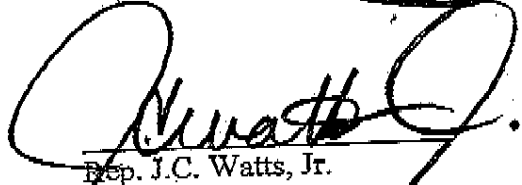
  
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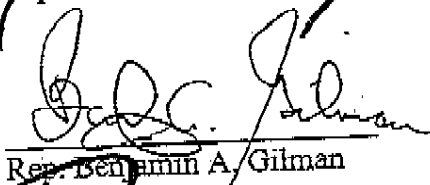
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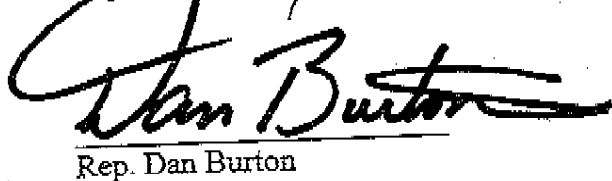
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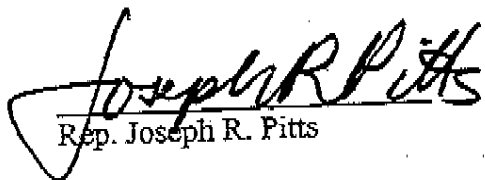
  
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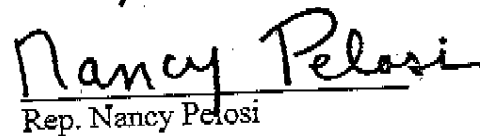
  
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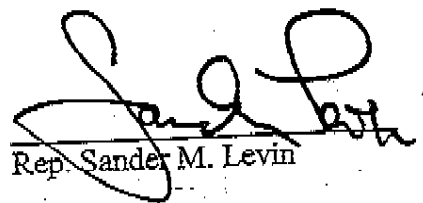
  
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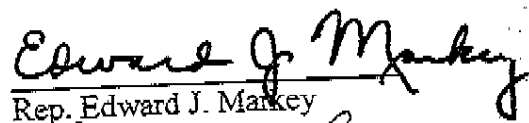
  
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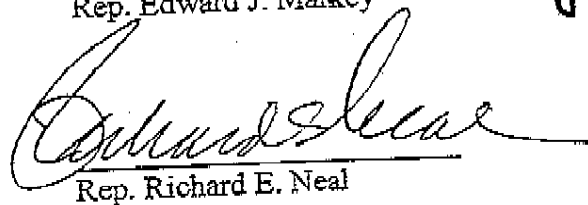
  
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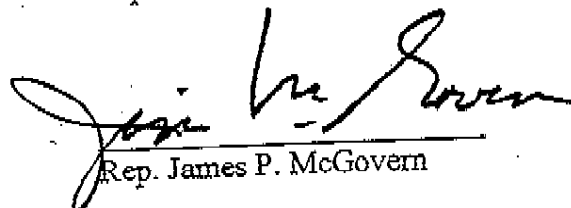
  
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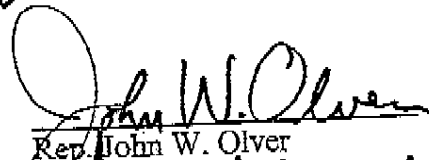
  
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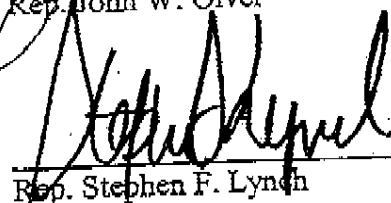
  
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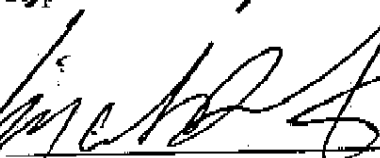
  
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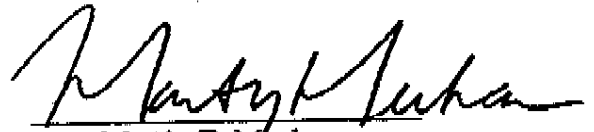
  
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cc: President George W. Bush