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Dear Southern USA Falun Dafa Association,

Today marks the 21st anniversary of the Chinese Communist Party's (CCP) appalling decision to eradicate Falun Dafa, also known as Falun Gong, practitioners. Since 1999, the Falun Gong have suffered tremendously at the hands of the CCP, facing atrocities that range from illegal abductions and imprisonment to torture, forced organ harvesting, and death.

Despite this, the Falun Gong have courageously continued to practice and uphold their values of truthfulness, compassion, and tolerance in hopes of one day being able to worship freely. This resolve is an inspiration to all, but particularly to other oppressed religious minorities in China and around the globe.

As an ardent supporter of religious freedom and human rights, I am appalled by the CCP's crusade against the Falun Gong. I strongly believe that the United States has a special responsibility to promote freedom around the world and to step in when mass human rights violations are being committed. While I am encouraged by Congress and the Trump Administration's efforts to punish the CCP for its treatment of the Uyghurs and Hong Kong protestors, we must take further action to condemn and target its forced organ harvesting practices and persecution of the Falun Gong.

I am proud to represent so many Falun Dafa practitioners in the Sixth Congressional District of Texas and am hopeful that their brethren will be able to practice freely and without fear in China someday soon. I look forward to continuing my work to end the CCP's persecution of your people in the months and years to come.

Best wishes,

RON WRIGHT Member of Congress

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