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Dear Sang Joo Kim:

What a pleasure it is for me to greet you and your forum participants as you commemorate 109 years of contributions to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. It goes without saying that the rich diversity of this great state makes it an ideal milieu for those emerging from around the world.

We welcome and embrace our differences because through experiencing others cultures we grow and through growth we gain strength and through that strength we build a better Commonwealth, a better nation and a better world. Of course we face and experience challenges and, often, those challenges are manifested differently and magnified by those of other cultures. However, through the perseverance and commitment of ICAS and like organizations who are our partners we bond as a community, not allowing the challenges to become obstacles to understanding but stepping stones to a better life.

I salute you for your more than a century of good work in bridging understanding and fellowship among all people and continuing to be that beacon that shines a light in darkness. As a member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, I proudly recognize the month of August as Korea Month.

Wishing you continued success as you move forward into the future.

Sincerely,


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