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Mr. Sam Kim
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Dear Mr. Kim:

I am writing to express my deepest appreciation for all of the Korean Church Coalition's hard work in calling attention to and alleviating the suffering of the North Korean people. The humanitarian and human rights crises in North Korea are profoundly troubling, and KCC has been a true leader in bringing together Korean Americans and the greater Korean community around the world to address these critical issues.

The people of North Korea, through no fault of their own, continue to endure mass starvation, torture, and political and religious persecution. Particularly concerning are the North Koreans who are fortunate enough to escape their country, but who face many uncertainties in other countries, especially in China. Many North Korean refugees who flee to China are forced to repatriate back to North Korea where they face punishment, torture, and sometimes execution for leaving their homeland. It is the responsibility of the United States, China, and the rest of the world to ensure that these injustices do not remain unanswered.

With the help of KCC and other such organizations, we can continue to raise awareness of the plight of the North Korean people, and work together to bring voices to the voiceless.

With warm regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David Wu", written over a large, stylized blue oval scribble.

David Wu
Member of Congress