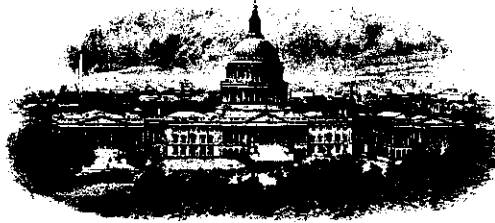


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Dear friends,

I am delighted to support the San Francisco International Children's Games showcasing the best young, athletic talent from around the globe. The San Francisco Games are an excellent opportunity to celebrate cultural diversity, environmental responsibility and spirited competition. They present the best forum to promote these ideals which should be the aim of all citizens of the planet.

As Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, I know firsthand the value of respect and solidarity when it comes to different cultures understanding one another. Through sportsmanly gamesmanship we are able to appreciate our opponent's skills and abilities in a fun and exciting manner.

On behalf of the 110th Congress of the United States of America, I congratulate you on your many achievements leading up to the 2008 San Francisco International Children's Games and I wish you good luck on your future endeavors.

Cordially,

Tom Lantos
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