

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Daniel E. Lungren
Chairman
Committee on House Administration
1313 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

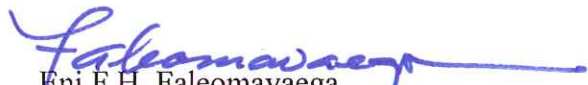
Dear Chairman Lungren:

We are grateful to you for your indispensable help in getting the bill to grant the District of Columbia and the territories each one statue in the U.S. Capitol through the House, and for expressing your support to Senator Mitch McConnell for passage in the Senate during the lame duck. Unfortunately, we ran out of time to get the bill enacted in the 111th Congress. We write now to request that you introduce the bill, which all the delegates would cosponsor, and that your committee then consider it.

As you know, the House-passed bill was identical to the amendment you introduced at a markup as an alternative to the Norton statue bill (H.R. 5493), which would have granted the District of Columbia two statues, and to the Faleomavaega statue bill (H.R. 5711), which would have granted the territories each one statue. You spoke eloquently on the House floor in support of the bill, noting how important the California statues are to your constituents, especially the new one of President Ronald Reagan. With your leadership, Congress can give the American citizens residing in the District of Columbia, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands the same sense of pride by passing the bill this Congress.

Our thanks again for your leadership on this matter.

Sincerely,


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Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan


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