Dear Friends,

I am pleased to extend my congratulations to the Hmong Cultural Center (HCC) on your 20th Anniversary celebration. Since 1992, HCC has offered Hmong language and cultural programs and in later years has added English as a Second Language (ESL) and citizenship classes. These multi-cultural education programs are important tools helping new Americans become integrated into our community.

Hmong Cultural Center is a vital repository of resources for our community, including collections of stories, journals and academic publications related to Hmong studies. Some of the new initiatives that include Hmong Embroidery Exhibits and Artwork, Interpretive Exhibits and Displays related to Hmong history and cultural heritage are important assets to our new Americans and their future generations to come.

I commend Hmong Cultural Center for its continued mission to serving our new American community. I wish you a continued success.

Again, congratulations on this special occasion and enjoy the celebration.

Sincerely,

Betty McCollum
Member of Congress