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Mr. Dudley Yatabe

Dear Dudley:

As you are aware, the National JACL has undertaken the Redress issue as a major priority. We have achieved much success in enlisting support among the members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives. To date, 22 Senators have co-sponsored S. 1647 and 137 Congressmen have co-sponsored HR 5499.

Hearings have been held on the Senate side and we anticipate full Senate action shortly. On the House side, HR 5499 still awaits hearings in the Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations.

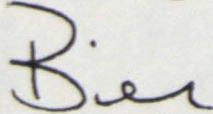
I would like to ask for your help in our effort to secure successful passage of HR 5499. Congressman John Porter of your district has not as yet made a decision regarding HR 5499. We would appreciate it greatly if you would take a few minutes to write to Congressman Porter asking that he co-sponsor the bill.

I have enclosed Congressman Porter's address as well as a sample letter and a copy of the bill.

I would appreciate a copy of any response you receive from Congressman Porter.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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