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Mr. Tim Yoshimiya
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Dear Mr. Yoshimiya:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter and kind words regarding my efforts on H.R. 442, the Civil Liberties Act of 1987. Congress' initiative to rectify the injustice accorded to Americans of Japanese ancestry during World War II is indeed long overdue.

As a co-sponsor of this important legislation, I am very pleased to inform you that H.R. 442 was reported out of the Judiciary Committee on June 17, 1987. The bill is scheduled to undergo House action in the autumn to correspond with the bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution. I assure you that the redress/reparations resolution will receive my strongest support when it comes up for a full House vote.

The outlook on the bill's passage is very promising. Currently, H.R. 442 has the endorsement of 149 House Representatives and 75 Senators. This strong support for H.R. 442 indicates Congress' understanding of the need for a redress.

Once again, thanks for your letter. Please feel free to contact me with further matters of concern.

With warmest regards.

Sincerely,



Don Edwards
Member of Congress

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