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The Honorable Matthew L. Horner
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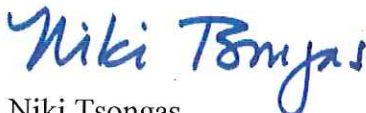
Dear Mr. Horner,

Mr. Mony Var, a constituent in my district, contacted my office requesting assistance regarding an artist visa for the Conservatoire NKFC Preah Ream Buppha Devi Dance Group. Conservatoire NKFC Preah Ream Buppha Devi is embarking on a tour of the United States this coming fall. For the past six years, I have had the honor to represent the vibrant Cambodian-American community of Lowell as the Representative for the 3rd Congressional District of Massachusetts, and I cherish all the opportunities I have received during that time to witness the cultural traditions of Cambodia firsthand.

Founder and Chairwoman of the Nginn Karet Foundation of Cambodia, Ms. Ravynn Karet-Coxen, helped to secure economic and personal well-being for villagers in Banteay Srei region for many years. Through the Conservatoire NKFC Preah Ream Buppha Devi, she has devoted herself to preserving a unique artistic heritage for future generations of Cambodians while sharing it with those of us more familiar with other traditions.

Please give their request every appropriate consideration. Should you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact my aide, Vanna Howard in my office at 978-459-0101 or Vanna.Howard@mail.house.gov.

Respectfully,



Niki Tsongas
Member of Congress