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The Cross Cultural Internship Program

Whereas: On this day, July 5, 2016, the interns, staff, partners and friends of The Cross Cultural Internship Program gather in celebration of their 2016 Recognition Ceremony at Citi Field in Queens, New York; and

Whereas: The Cross Cultural Internship Program (CCIP) is a summer internship program managed by FUSIA Communications, a designated visa sponsor of the U.S. Department of State's Exchange Visitor Program in the J-1 Intern category. Since 2008, CCIP has served over 850 exchange visitors from Asia and Pacific nations. CCIP is a unique stepping stone for foreign exchange visitors and empowers them with practical experience and insights into American society, values, customs, people, business practices, and professional culture. The immersive cultural experiences gained by interns in CCIP provide them with a greater understanding of western society while simultaneously allowing them to contribute to the growth, knowledge, and connectivity of the global marketplace; and

Whereas: The CCIP Recognition Ceremony is held annually to recognize the individuals and organizations that have contributed to this valuable cultural exchange initiative. During this special evening, exchange visitors, host organizations, friends, partners, government officials, community leaders, and media representatives gather to commemorate their collective efforts in furthering the global community. The Ceremony also recognizes endeavors that embody a spirit of cooperation, hard work, and cultural exchange; and

Whereas: CCIP partners with accredited post-secondary Asian or Pacific region academic institutions that share in the vision of supporting young professionals to acquire the skills, knowledge, and cultural understanding necessary to thrive in the global economy; and

Whereas: The Cross Cultural Internship Program has established itself as an exemplary organization of extraordinary cultural exchange between the United States and Asia and the Pacific.

Therefore, I, Grace Meng, Member of Congress representing the Sixth Congressional District, hold up The Cross Cultural Internship Program for great recognition and honor and declare today to be "*Cross Cultural Internship Program Day*" throughout the Sixth Congressional District.

July 5, 2016
Date


Grace Meng
Member of Congress