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Donald J. Trump  
President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Trump:

I write to urge you to prioritize support for family reunions for Korean-Americans who have families in North Korea. An estimated 100,000 Korean-Americans have families in North Korea who were separated because of the Korean War. This is painful. Helping Korean-Americans reunite with their families in North Korea must be a top priority for your administration.

Since 2000, South Korea and North Korea have held 21 family reunions. The process leading up to each reunion is long and many Korean families are still waiting. For Korean-American families, no formal mechanism exists between the U.S. and North Korea to permit family reunions. Time is not on our side as many Korean-Americans are rapidly approaching old age as well. We must do more to help Korean-Americans who are still waiting to see their families in North Korea.

I urge you to make this issue a top priority for your administration during negotiations with North Korea. Korean-Americans are counting on you. Thank you for your attention to this critical issue. I stand ready to support in any helpful way.

Sincerely,



Grace Meng  
Member of Congress