

CHANGE NOT CHAINS

Stand for Prisoners of Conscience

Join us on July 12 from 12PM – 1PM
In front of the U.S. Capitol on the East Lawn (House side)

Please help promote the event by using the hashtags **#changenotchains** and **#FreeLiuXia**

*Confirmed speakers include former Congressman **Frank Wolf**, Congressman **Randy Hultgren**, Congressman **Jim McGovern**, USCIRF Chairman **Dr. Tenzin Dorjee**, and Uyghur leader **Rebiya Kadeer**. Other invited speakers include Members of Congress, human rights leaders, and representatives of impacted communities.*

On July 13, 2017, Liu Xiaobo, the 2010 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, died while in detention in China. Liu Xiaobo was an outspoken critic of the Chinese government's human rights abuses and suffered greatly for his advocacy. He was imprisoned numerous times and was sentenced to 11 years in prison in 2009. He died from complications of liver cancer while still in custody.

One year later, his wife Liu Xia is still held under house arrest and is languishing without access to basic necessities and healthcare. Beyond well-known prisoners of conscience, **there are tens of thousands of individuals unjustly imprisoned in China** due to their peaceful expression of political, religious or other conscientiously held beliefs. Ranging from house arrest to imprisonment and detention camps, *these individuals deserve to be remembered*. Congress is working to do this with H.Res.750, a bipartisan resolution to establish a Prisoners of Conscience Day, *and you can take a stand as well!*

**JOIN US in showing the faces the Chinese government is trying to hide.
Remember the people Beijing hopes we forget. RSVP [here](#).**

Honor Liu Xiaobo's memory on the one-year anniversary of his death by speaking out against one of China's worst human rights abuses – the unjust imprisonment of those who dare to dissent. Stand with China's prisoners of conscience by joining together to call for their immediate release.

Because images often speak louder than words, **please bring a picture of someone who has been unjustly imprisoned in China**. This can be an individual you may know personally or a person from the prisoner of conscience lists provided by the following:

[Congressional-Executive Commission on China](#)
[Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission](#)
[United States Commission on International Religious Freedom](#)
[Amnesty International](#)
[China Aid](#)
[International Campaign for Tibet](#)

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