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City of 10,000 Buddhas

Greetings to all who have gathered to celebrate your thirtieth anniversary.

People of faith have played an important role in making California the wonderful place it is today, and I thank you for adding your voice and actions to this rich legacy. Not only do you serve your residents’ needs, you have become an international hub of Buddhist teaching. With your wide range of spiritual activities, volunteer programs and numerous educational and outreach opportunities, you reach out to others in a spirit of service and compassion. Your works have helped to improve the lives of many, and I commend you for inspiring those around you.

On behalf of all Californians, I extend my gratitude for your hard work to strengthen your community and wish you every continued success.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger