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GARDEN GROVE, Calif.; &ndash; On August 9, 2006, Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez hosted a reception at her Garden Grove office for constituents of the 47th Congressional District who received assistance from her congressional office in resolving an issue with a federal agency. Twenty-five constituents warmly greeted Sanchez and thanked her for her staff&rsquo;s assistance in advocating for their cases.

&ldquo;I think it&rsquo;s extremely important that residents understand that their member of Congress is here to help them. This reception also gives me an opportunity to meet those people that my office has helped,&rdquo; said Sanchez. &ldquo;Many times, people get lost in the system. They can&rsquo;t get thru to speak to a representative, don&rsquo;t understand agency policy or simply do not know where to start the process. It&rsquo;s rewarding to meet those people in my community I&rsquo;ve been able to help.&rdquo;

Sanchez met with an emotional Tan Pham, a Garden Grove resident, who thanked her for her staff&rsquo;s assistance in requesting an emergency visa to visit her ailing mother in Vietnam. Pham was happy to report that her mother was steadily recovering.

Doug Wheats said the Sanchez office helped recover destroyed silver and bronze medals awarded to his late father during WWII and the Korean War.

And the Powell family thanked Sanchez for help in receiving Section 8 housing after living in their car for four years.

&rdquo;Finding housing, receiving Social Security benefits, receiving medication from Medicare and dealing with family emergencies are issues of real importance for the average family,&rdquo; added Sanchez. &ldquo;I&rsquo;m thrilled that my office could help government work for the people of the 47th.&rdquo;