

September 10, 2006- Vietnamese Buddhist Association Celebration

Sanchez Meets with Vietnamese Buddhist Community in
Preparation for 30th Anniversary Celebration

On September 10, 2006, Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez met with more than 300 Buddhist parents and children at a community dinner in preparation for the 30th Anniversary of the United States Vietnamese Youth Buddhist Association celebration scheduled for later this year in San Bernardino. The Vietnamese Youth Buddhist Association has been in existence for more than 70 years in Vietnam.

Aside from the religious component, the Vietnamese Youth Buddhist Association is very similar to the Boy and Girl Scouts of America, preparing youth to make ethical choices and teaching leadership skills.

Sanchez emphasized the importance of passing on religious and cultural traditions to younger generations and congratulated the Association for their years of service.

“As a daughter of immigrant parents, my religion and culture has guided me in making good ethical choices in my personal and professional life,” said Sanchez. “Thank you for helping to make our community stronger.”