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Korean American Coalition  
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**RE: Saigu@30: 30th Anniversary of the Los Angeles Riots/Uprising**

Dear Korean American Coalition:

I send my gratitude for your stewardship in hosting this leadership conference for Korean American youths, young adults, and established leaders in Los Angeles. *Saigu*—which refers to the date 4/29 in Korean—denotes a pivotal moment for Korean American and the larger City history. Los Angeles was in a different place in 1992, with too many communities disconnected and too many people feeling their voices weren't being heard. Thirty years later, there is more trust, accountability, and support between Angelenos that is felt citywide across geographical boundaries and identities, much in thanks to the work of organizations like yours.

The Korean American Coalition (KAC) has been a leader in advocating for the Korean American community. In 1997, KAC founded the Alternative Dispute Resolution Center to mediate conversations and deepen understanding among the racially and ethnically diverse communities in Los Angeles. KAC also empowers the Korean American community to be civically active by encouraging voting, advocating for resources in the face of increased anti-Asian violence, and developing youth to become our next generation of leaders.

As an elected representative of the largest community of Koreans outside of Seoul, I commend your dedication to and advocacy on behalf of Korean Americans in Los Angeles and across the country. Thank you again for hosting this conference. I look forward to our continued partnership, and I wish you continued success.

Sincerely,

ERIC GARCETTI  
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