

Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Friends:


The importance of celebrating our friends and family members with Down syndrome cannot be overstated. The *2010 Be Beautiful Be Yourself Jet Set Fashion Show* in Denver, Colorado is a wonderful example.

As the co-chairs of the Congressional Down Syndrome Caucus, we continue to advocate in Congress for individuals with Down syndrome as well as their families. Our efforts support public policy that enhances the quality of life for those with Down syndrome. With over 84 Member of Congress, we continue to grow our membership and expand our activities to become a dynamic, united force and informational clearinghouse on issues relating to Down syndrome.

We commend national and local Down syndrome organizations, like the Global Down Syndrome Foundation and its beneficiary, the Linda Crnic Institute for Down syndrome at the Anschutz Medical Campus, for continuing to push for increased research that would accelerate the development of effective treatments and therapies for people with Down syndrome and their medical, cognitive, and behavioral conditions.

We wish you all the best for this joyous evening and applaud your continued work to support families, children and adults with Down syndrome so that they may lead happy, healthy productive lives.

Sincerely,



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Patrick Kennedy  
Co-Chair



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Cathy McMorris Rodgers  
Co-Chair



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Eleanor Holmes Norton  
Co-Chair



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Pete Sessions  
Co-Chair