

THANK YOU FOR HELPING AND SUPPORTING FAPA!

My dearest brothers and sisters in the FAPA family and FAPA friends:

Let me start by thanking all of you for helping and supporting our beloved FAPA. This is my fourth and last year as FAPA National President. ***And yes, it is a huge honor having served as President, but with that honor comes the burden to humbly request that you donate to FAPA.***

This past May, FAPA celebrated its 40th Anniversary in Taipei with a grand banquet. In her opening remarks, Taiwan President Tsai Ing-wen thanked FAPA's tireless advocacy efforts to speak up for Taiwan on Capitol Hill, and praised FAPA as "a truly important pioneer in Taiwan's public diplomacy."

When FAPA was founded in 1982, Taiwan was still under the authoritarian rule of the Kuomintang (KMT). Nevertheless, forty years later, Taiwan has become a beacon of democracy for countries around the world to emulate. **Today, the overwhelming majority of the people of Taiwan want to keep Taiwan free as a sovereign and independent country, and have no interest at all in making democratic Taiwan part of communist China.**

We at FAPA strongly believe that **if it were not for the U.S.' continued commitment and arms sales to Taiwan, Taiwan would have been long ago forcibly annexed by China.** It is therefore of utmost importance that Washington's support for Taiwan remains as robust and steady as it has been over the past decades.

FAPA is at the forefront of this movement. We need to make sure that this U.S. support for Taiwan remains strong and solid. (It is encouraging that according to a recent survey, 60% of Americans would support sending U.S. troops to defend Taiwan if China were to invade.)

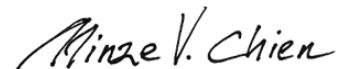
This year, we have again seen much progress and breakthroughs in U.S.-Taiwan relations, such as: a historic meeting on U.S. soil between Taiwan President Tsai and then-U.S. House Speaker Kevin McCarthy; the announcement of a first-ever U.S. military aid package for Taiwan to be drawn from the Pentagon's existing stockpiles under the expedited "Presidential Drawdown Authority" (PDA); the signing into law of an "Implementation Act" affirming Congressional approval for the U.S.-Taiwan "First Agreement" reached under the "21st Century" trade initiative; and the announcement of the first ever U.S. "Foreign Military Financing" (FMF) assistance to Taiwan through a program typically reserved for sovereign, independent states.

I also believe that with our FAPA's help, Taiwan can one day achieve truly full Taiwan Independence and become a completely normal sovereign independent country.

I would therefore like to encourage you to kindly donate to and effectively participate in FAPA — your donation will be the key to FAPA's continued efforts to strengthen and advance our various important projects. I ask that you donate generously, so that FAPA can continue urge Congress to pass more pro-Taiwan bills, advocate for deepening and normalizing U.S.-Taiwan relations, promote Taiwan's international recognition and participation, and hold more FAPA events, such as the Emerging Leaders Workshop, the National Advocacy Conference, and The View from Capitol Hill events. **(NOTE that – shockingly – expenses for the ELW and NAC this year were approximately 30% more than in previous years!)**

Finally, I wish you and your family good health, happiness, and prosperity. I thank you for your continued support of FAPA! WE ARE FAPA!

Minze V. Chien, Ph. D.



FAPA National President

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感謝您對 FAPA 的付出與支持！

親愛的 FAPA 兄弟姐妹與朋友們：

首先，我要感謝大家對 FAPA 的持續付出與支持。今年是我擔任 FAPA 總會長的第四年，也是最後一年。**我非常榮幸能擔當此重任；而伴隨這份榮譽而來的，則是誠懇向您請求捐助 FAPA 的責任。**

今年 5 月，FAPA 在台北舉行盛大的 40 週年慶祝晚會。在其開幕致詞中，台灣總統蔡英文特別感謝 FAPA 在美國國會山莊不懈地為台灣倡議發聲，並讚揚 FAPA 是「台灣推動國民外交的重要先鋒」。

當 FAPA 在 1982 年成立時，台灣仍處於國民黨的威權統治之下。然而，四十年之後，台灣已成為值得世界各國效法的民主典範。今日，絕大多數的台灣人民希望維持台灣做為主權獨立國家的自由與地位；並對於使民主台灣成為共產中國的一部分，毫無半點興趣。

我們 FAPA 堅信，**若無美國持續的對台承諾與軍售，臺灣早被中國所武力吞併了。**也因此，繼續維持華府幾十年來對台灣的強大穩定支持，實乃至關重要。

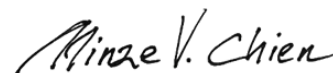
FAPA 處於此運動的最前線。我們必須確保美國支持台灣的基礎依然強健穩固。（令人鼓舞的是，根據最近的一項調查，倘若中國武力犯台，60%的美國人將支持派遣美軍保衛台灣）。

今年，我們亦見證了台美關係的諸多重大突破與進展，例如：台灣蔡總統與美國時任眾議院議長麥卡錫（Kevin McCarthy）在美國境內舉行歷史性的會晤；美國宣布首度動用「總統撥款權」（PDA），將撥用美國國防部之既有庫存，對台灣及時提供軍事援助；簽署生效一項「實施法案」，確認美國國會批准「美台 21 世紀貿易倡議」下所達成的「首批協定」；以及美國首度宣布依據「外國軍事融資」（FMF）計畫，對台灣進行軍援（該計畫通常保留於援助主權獨立國家）。

我亦相信，在我們 FAPA 的協助與推動下，台灣終有一天能夠實現真正完整的台灣獨立，成為一個完全正常的主權獨立國家。

我要再次懇請大家踴躍捐助並積極參與 FAPA —— 您的捐款將是 FAPA 繼續強化並推展我們各項專案的關鍵。我期盼大家能慷慨解囊，讓 FAPA 能繼續敦促美國國會通過更多友台法案，推動美台關係持續深化與正常化，擴大台灣的國際承認及參與，並舉辦更多的倡議座談、青年培訓等活動 —— 例如「台灣年輕世代領袖政治培訓營」（ELW）、「國會倡議大會」（NAC），以及「The View from Capitol Hill」系列活動。種種因素，今年主要實體活動(ELW 和 NAC)的場地和人力等所需費用比往年要增加了約 30%，因此我們也希望邀請您一起支持，協助我們一起能讓活動和倡議持續下去。

最後，祝您闔家身體健康，幸福美滿，萬事順心。感謝您對 FAPA 的持續支持！我們是台灣人公共事務會，FAPA！



FAPA 總會長 簡明子 敬上

2023 年 11 月 20 日



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