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**Greetings from Congressman Michael M. Honda  
on the Occasion of the West Coast Community Rally  
hosted by Stories of Service and  
the Digital Clubhouse Network**

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It is with great pleasure that I welcome everyone to the West Coast Community Rally sponsored and hosted by Stories of Service and the Digital Clubhouse Network. I would like to recognize the collaboration of Stories of Service and the Digital Clubhouse Network in encouraging young people everywhere to commit themselves to civic engagement and service to others.

Stories of Service and the Digital Clubhouse Network work with youth across America to help preserve the unique experiences of veterans who served in World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. Young Americans learn how to use pictures, music, and multimedia to share real stories of veterans who have sacrificed a great deal to protect our country. The West Coast Community Rally was organized as a response to President-elect Obama's call for voluntarism, civic engagement and service to the community. The rally urges all Americans to unite as a community to address the many challenges that face our nation. As we move forward together with a vision of hope and optimism, the values of service and volunteerism will inspire people, both young and old, to be apart of this growing movement for change.

I would like to extend my support for the efforts of Stories of Service and the Digital Clubhouse Network and congratulate them for their ongoing work on behalf of the community. I offer my best wishes for the success of today's rally.

With warmest regards,

Michael M. Honda  
Member of Congress