



**EMBASSY OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
Beijing, China**

November 2, 2017

**AMBASSADOR**

The United States-China Policy Foundation  
316 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 202  
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Friends:

From all of us at the United States Diplomatic Mission in China, congratulations to the U.S.-China Policy Foundation on its 22nd anniversary. I am honored to serve as the U.S. Ambassador to China, a position held by such illustrious and esteemed statesmen as this year's gala co-chairs Ambassador J. Stapleton Roy and Ambassador James Sasser, and this year's honoree Ambassador Max Baucus. I appreciate all of the hard work they put into this role, and I look forward to continuing this important mission. I also send my warmest wishes to all of the guests and members of your organization attending the Anniversary Gala on November 15.

The bilateral relationship between the United States and China is undoubtedly one of the most important relationships in the world, and we appreciate all of the work your foundation does to strengthen this relationship with engagement, education, and cultural diplomacy. As I write this, we are looking forward to welcoming President Trump to Beijing for his first state visit to China in just a few days. The President's discussions with the Chinese leadership on bilateral issues will set the stage for how we work together to manage our differences and confront shared challenges like nuclear proliferation on the Korean Peninsula.

I know firsthand the importance of people-to-people diplomacy and its power to shrink the world and to narrow the differences between countries. The partnership we helped develop back in the 1980s through Iowa's Sister-State program with Hebei Province continues to bear fruit for our bilateral relationship. These kinds of ties, which advance U.S.-China mutual understanding and cooperation, are a hallmark of your foundation's work, and I commend you for forging new ties among the citizens of our two great nations.

I wish you all the best of luck as you celebrate your 22nd anniversary. Congratulations and keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Terry Branstad". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Terry Branstad



JIMMY CARTER

November 15, 2017

Dear Friends

Rosalynn and I congratulate the United States-China Policy Foundation on its 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary. We send our warmest wishes to you and your guests.

The U.S.-China relationship is crucial to peace and prosperity. With growing tensions in the region, your work to advance mutual understanding and cooperation through people-to-people diplomacy, education, engagement, cultural exchanges, and business dialogue is more important than ever.

We wish you continued success in the coming years.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jimmy Carter". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping "C" for "Carter" and a distinct "Jimmy" on the left.