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Ms. Lisa Carver
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Dear Ms. Carver:

Thank you for the invitation to attend the Tri-City Health Center's Day of Remembrance at Preservation Park. Due to my congressional commitments in Washington, D.C. regretfully I am unable to join you on Sunday, November 19th, as you memorialize the transgender people who have passed away.

The first Day of Remembrance in Alameda County will provide the reflection and attention needed to raise the consciousness of the broader community about the health challenges faced by transgender men and women daily.

I applaud the Tri-City Health Center's efforts, through the TransVision program, to provide valuable resources to transgender women throughout Alameda County.

I am sorry I am unable to be with you to express my personal appreciation to Tri-City Health Center staff for their leadership and efforts to make a difference by providing beneficial HIV prevention education services and other valuable health resources to those in need. Best wishes for continued success with TransVision and all the best for a memorable Day of Remembrance.

Sincerely



Pete Stark
Member of Congress