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Mr. Wing Lam
Executive Director
Chinese Staff and Workers Association
P.O. Box 130401
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Dear Mr. Lam:

I am writing to express my deep appreciation for the assistance you and the Chinese Staff and Workers Association rendered to my office in the recent criminal investigation of the alleged sweatshops at 446 Broadway.

Please convey my sincere thanks to the workers who bravely came forward with their allegations against the operator of this establishment.

As you know, the Attorney General is responsible for the enforcement of New York State labor laws. This, however, is a job that is nearly impossible to do without the help of dedicated citizens and community representatives such as yourself.

Since 1995, this office has filed criminal charges against more than 70 sweatshop operators in New York State. This represents a three-fold increase over the two prior years.

Under my administration, the Attorney General's Office will continue to act quickly and vigorously to shut down sweatshops and recover wages illegally withheld from workers.

I hope that I can continue to count on your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dennis C. Vacco', written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

DENNIS C. VACCO
ATTORNEY GENERAL

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