



**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Gannon University Model United Nations Participants:

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the 67th Annual Gannon University Model United Nations Conference. As citizens, we have a duty to acknowledge and discuss the many critical issues facing the international community. Therefore, I commend your efforts and applaud your enthusiasm as a young leader.

The Gannon University Model UN creates a realistic and engaging simulation of the functions of the United Nations and the dealings among nations. As a participant, you will tackle real world issues and discover what goes into developing solutions on the international stage. Furthermore, you will learn the importance of teamwork, the art of diplomacy and the value of key skills such as research, public speaking, debate and negotiation.

As you interact among delegations, I encourage you to embrace the diversity among one another and challenge yourself to view issues from different perspectives. I hope that you take full advantage of this invaluable opportunity and please always remember that you have tremendous power and obligation to help improve the world. I wish you all an excellent conference and bright future.

If I can ever be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

U.S. Representative Mike Kelly  
16th District, Pennsylvania