

## THE CITY OF NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE MAYOR NEW YORK, NY 10007

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Dear Friends:

It is my pleasure to welcome everyone as the Cross Cultural Internship Program honors its 2013 program participants.

New York is the world's most international city. Nearly 40 percent of our residents hail from other lands, and the five boroughs thrive in great part because – in keeping with our proud history – we remain a city of opportunity for people of all backgrounds. CCIP understands the value of further strengthening our ties with other countries, especially in Asia. Together, we applaud the more than 100 students who ventured to New York for internships this year, and we can expect that their experiences here will remain some of the most memorable and most beneficial of their university careers.

On behalf of all New Yorkers, congratulations to CCIP, its participants, and its community partners on another outstanding year. Please accept my best wishes for a terrific evening at Citi Field and continued success.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Bloomberg

Mayor