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GREETINGS:

I would like to join with PAAFF in welcoming everyone to the opening ceremony of the First Annual Asian American Film Festival in Philadelphia.

The rich cultural fabric of our commonwealth has been woven from an array of cultural and artistic influences from around the world. This vibrant diversity is maintained and glorified through our freedom of expression and the sense of pride we all hold for our individual heritage.

This Asian American Film Festival is a shining example of Asian American filmmakers, actors, and producers sharing their cinematic creations with the people of the commonwealth. I commend the organizers of the Asian American Film Festival for their commitment to the preservation, promotion, and presentation of high quality, Asian American movies.

As Governor and on behalf of all Pennsylvanians, I commend all those involved in tonight's event for your outstanding contributions and dedicated service to your community. Best wishes for an enjoyable and memorable film festival.

Edward G. Rendell

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Governor
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