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Stockton East Rotary Club

Dear Sir or Madam,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for participating in our third annual Holiday Cards for Our Troops program. I also want to share with you that this year we collected nearly 7,000 cards! This amazing outpouring of support was possible because of your dedicated efforts.

The holidays can be difficult for many of our nation's service members who are away from their families loved ones. Our military men and women were incredibly appreciative of your cards and your heartfelt messages of thanks. This year, I was fortunate to meet with and deliver your cards to soldiers, sailors, marines and reservists at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland, and the Parks Reserve Forces Training Area in Dublin, California. Additionally, thousands of cards were sent to field hospitals and bases in Iraq and Afghanistan. I would like to extend to you my utmost appreciation for participating in our effort and for helping to make a difference in the lives of our service members during the holiday season.

It is encouraging that so many people from our community took the time to write thoughtful messages of thanks to our troops. It is this kind of effort that will help make a difference in the lives of the men and women who so honorably serve our great nation. Again, thank you for participating. You helped make a difference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jerry McNerney". The signature is stylized and fluid, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jerry McNerney
Member of Congress