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## Lantos Foundation Launches Official Web Site

Washington, D.C. August 12, 2008 – The Lantos Foundation for Human Rights and Justice today announced the launch of its official web site. The site can be viewed at [www.lantosfoundation.org](http://www.lantosfoundation.org).

“Now that the Lantos Foundation is online, we will be able to share its purposes and be able to communicate with activists, students, concerned citizens, governments, and leaders all over the world,” said Annette Lantos, wife of the late Congressman Tom Lantos and Chairman of the Board. “We hope the site will be used to shine light on the dark corners of the world where human rights abuses occur.”

The launch of the web site follows closely on the heels of another development – the Lantos Foundation received its designation as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization earlier this summer. All donations to the Foundation are now tax-exempt.

“It was an honor to accept the Presidential Medal of Freedom in June and to see two bills bearing Tom’s name signed into law last week,” said Lantos. “I hope this web site will be one more step towards ensuring that my husband’s powerful voice for human rights lives on.”

During the last week of July President Bush signed the Tom Lantos and Henry J. Hyde United States Global Leadership against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Reauthorization Act of 2008, as well as the Tom Lantos Block Burmese JADE (Junta’s Anti-Democratic Efforts) Act of 2008.

### **About the Lantos Foundation**

The mission of the Lantos Foundation for Human Rights and Justice is to advance the cause of human rights in American foreign policy and to be a vital voice standing up for the nation’s most important values of decency, dignity, freedom, and justice in every corner of the world. The Foundation will both educate and advocate on behalf of the simple yet profound truth that we are indeed our brothers’ keepers. In so doing, it hopes to carry on Congressman Lantos’ remarkable legacy of service to humanity.

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