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Mr. Prashanta Nanda
Member, Orissa State Legislative Assembly
President, Orissa State Nationalist Congress Party (NCP)
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Dear Mr. Nanda,

I would like to commend you and your work on the film "The Living Ghost." I had the pleasure of viewing it and it truly brought to life the struggles of keeping the tribal legacy alive in the Kandhamal region in Orissa. The courageous message of this film is something I admire, and I congratulate you on the worldwide accolades and awards that have been bestowed on you.

I appreciated meeting you during your trip to Seattle, Washington last October to premiere your film at the Independent South Asian Film Festival. I look forward to meeting you again and to my visit to Orissa this November with the WASITRAC trade delegation.

I extend my very best wishes to you.

Sincerely,



JIM McDERMOTT
Member of Congress