

July 13, 2011

To Whom It May Concern:

Over the past few years I have been organizing a basketball league for the Tibetan community, working with a group of youth and young adults. Recently a number of the participants requested that I organize a trip to New York City where the largest tournament of participants from the Tibetan community will be playing. I have paid the \$300 tournament fee to enter our team. In order to get the team to New York, a 12-passenger van must be rented and funds for food and housing will be required.

Because the tournament takes place on August 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, I find that I have little time to fundraise. While the participants will be contributing financially, their ability to pay is very limited. I am writing to request any financial assistance you might be able to provide to help make this exciting possibility a reality.

I would be happy to meet and talk with you in person about this request.

Sangay Dhondup



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Dear Sangay la,

On behalf of the Tibetan Association of Vermont, thank you for taking the initiative to involve Vermont Tibetan youth and young adults in the Tibetan basketball tournament. Your efforts are important for several reasons:

- 1.) It is important for the Tibetan youth to have activities in which they can participate and strengthen their friendships;
- 2.) Importantly, this activity exposes the Vermont Tibetan youth to other Tibetans from other communities;
- 3.) Additionally, this activity teaches teamwork, good sportsmanship and the importance of living an active life.

Again, thank you for working hard to arrange this opportunity for Vermont Tibetan youth. I support you in your efforts.

Sincerely,

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