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JUNE 5th

5:00PM Sunday

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As Advocates of Silenced Turkey (AST), we are thrilled to announce

"The International Solidarity Day for Human Rights" that will be held on June 5, 2022.

This special event aims to draw attention to human rights violations in various parts of the world, particularly in Turkey, and amplify the silent scream of the victims to reach a wider public recognition.

We cordially invite you to this significant forum that will be held at

Baymont by Wyndham Hotel, Wayne, NJ on June 5, 2022 at 5pm.

We would like to extend our deeply heartfelt gratitude in advance for standing by the victims of the persecution during their hard times.

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FORUM OUTLINE

- ✓ 40 instances of suffering, frozen in time like eternal witnesses
 for the tears of agony, will be exhibited in a Photography Exhibition.
- ✓ 10 stands will exhibit the activities and programs of AST which
 you can learn about, inspire and be a part of.
- ✓ The Social Genocide Exhibition fairing the belongings of the victims of human rights violations in Turkey will give you an insight into intense sufferings in Turkey.
- ✓ AST will also release the trailer for its first animated movie in this program.
- ✓ Along with a mini human rights concert, a live auction will be held with all the proceeds going to those who have been subjected to human rights violations.
- ✓ 400 guests including distinguished speakers, lawyers, community leaders, academics, businessman, human rights defenders and activists will gather to be a voice for the voiceless in this unique forum.

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President of the Lantos Foundation for Human Rights and Justice.

Dr. Katrina Lantos Swett serves as President of the Lantos Foundation for Human Rights and Justice, established in 2008 to continue the legacy of her father, the late Congressman Tom Lantos, who served as Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee and was the only Holocaust survivor ever elected to the US Congress. Congressman Lantos was the founder of the Congressional Human Rights Caucus and was widely acknowledged as one of our nation's most eloquent and forceful leaders on behalf of

human rights and justice. Under her leadership, The Lantos Foundation has rapidly become a distinguished and respected voice on key human rights concerns ranging from advancing rule of law globally and fighting for Internet freedom

in closed societies to combatting the persistent and growing threat of

anti- Semitism and Holocaust denial.

Dr. Lantos Swett is the former Chair and Vice-Chair of the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF) and teaches Human Rights and American Foreign Policy at Tufts University. She currently serves as Co-Chair of the Board of the Committee for Human Rights in North Korea (HRNK) and the Budapest based Tom Lantos Institute. Dr. Lantos Swett also serves on the Advisory Board of UN Watch, the annual Anne Frank Award and Lecture, The Warren B. Rudman Center for Justice, Leadership, and Public Policy, and the Brigham Young University Law School.

Lantos Swett earned a Political Science degree from Yale University at the age of 18, a Juris Doctor degree from the University of California, Hastings College of the Law, and a PhD in History from The University of Southern Denmark.

Distinguished Speaker









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TURKEY'S HUMAN RIGHTS RECORD IN NUMBERS

- ✓ Since the beginning of the witch hunt against the Hizmet movement in Turkey, about **1.6 million people** were investigated over terrorism charges.
- ✓ More than 300,000 people were detained in the operations carried out by the political power to destroy the opposition voices.
 Over 100,000 of them were arrested.
- ✓ The government ordered the cancellation of 234,419 passports.
- ✓ More than 152,000 civil servants have been dismissed from their duties without even their defenses heard.
- ✓ 4,500 judges and prosecutors were dismissed and 4,000 of them were arrested.
- ✓ 1,605 seriously ill prisoners are not released despite medical reports.
- ✓ For the first time in Turkey's history, more than
- 17,000 women were arrested for political reasons.
- ✓ More than **3,000 children** under the age of 18 were imprisoned with their mothers.
- ✓ The doors of 1,598 associations were locked without question.
- **✓ 5,728 institutions** were closed and more than **40,000 people** working in these institutions were dismissed without any rights or compensation.
- ✓ 33 television channels, 34 radio channels and 90 publications were forcibly occupied and closed.
- ✓ The doors of 1,604 high schools, primary schools and kindergarten and 15 private universities were closed.
- ✓ The government seized 985 companies along with all their assets. Personal and corporate accounts worth more than \$30 billion dollar were confiscated.

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ADVOCATES OF SILENCED TURKEY

WHO WE ARE

AST is a 501(c)(3) Not for Profit charitable and educational organization based in NJ, exclusively for defending human and civil rights.

Our aim is,

To address all forms of human rights violations being perpetrated in Turkey-- including civil, political, economic, social and cultural-- based on the tenets upheld in fundamental human rights documents;

To speak up against any forms of genocide, crimes against humanity, arbitrary detentions, cases of torture and ill treatment, and discrimination, and stand up for principles and values such as the right to life, the rule of law, the right to privacy, freedom of expression, freedom of thought, conscience and religion, and freedom of associations;

To utilize all human rights advocacy tools, mechanisms, and systems that can possibly be utilized in order to protect and demand the fundamental human rights of those whose voices are being silenced in Turkey and beyond;

And to hold accountable the perpetrators who are denying individuals in Turkey and beyond their fundamental Human Rights while providing the victims with the opportunity to obtain justice and reparation.

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