



10th December, 2005
International Human Rights Day

**Take Action for Tibetan Political Prisoners
 on International Human Rights Day!**

RTYC

Candlelight Vigil

Date: Saturday, December 10, 2005

Time: 4 pm – 5 pm

Venue:

Peavey Plaza

1111 Nicollet Mall

Minneapolis, MN 55403

**CHINA HAS KILLED OVER 1.2 MILLION TIBETANS!
 HOW MANY MORE DEATHS WILL YOU ALLOW?**

Organized by:



*Regional Tibetan Youth Congress
 Minnesota*

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This year's candlelight vigil is drawing unprecedented attention in Minnesota, as the human rights crisis continues to become more critical in Tibet. Minnesotans who have experienced persecution firsthand in Tibet, local leaders, and area monks will offer personal testimony about the human rights crisis in Tibet at a candlelight vigil to commemorate International Human Rights Day, December 10, at Peavey Plaza between 4-5 PM. Since the first week of October 2005, Chinese officials have been conducting a "patriotic education" campaign in Tibet's monasteries forcing monks to denounce His Holiness the Dalai Lama. Drepung Monastery is currently under intense restrictions following a crackdown on 400 monks sitting on mass silent protest in response to the arrest of several monks. Mr. Manfred Nowark, the United Nation's Special Rapporteur on Torture was on a mission in China when this happened. More than 1 million Tibetans have already died under the Chinese occupation as a result of factors including torture, starvation and execution. Over 6,000 monasteries, nunneries and temples destroyed. **HOW MANY MORE DEATHS WILL YOU ALLOW?** *The candlelight vigil is being organized by the Regional Tibetan Youth Congress and supported by the Tibetan-American Foundation of Minnesota, the Tibetan Women's Association, and Students for a Free Tibet.

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