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Dear Friends,

Thank you for inviting me to join today's groundbreaking celebration. I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the Minnesota China Friendship Garden Society for overseeing the development of the garden and for strengthening the bond between the cities of Saint Paul and Changsha, China. The Saint Paul-Changsha China Friendship Garden is another example of the long-standing relationship our two cities have formed.

Since 1988, the people of Saint Paul and Changsha have shared a deep friendship that has only brought Minnesota and China closer together. The Saint Paul-Changsha China Friendship Garden is the first of its kind in the United States as it's the only garden in the nation influenced by Changsha architecture. Not only will this garden be a beautiful addition to Phalen Park, but it will also deepen the connection between our two cities.

Thank you again for the invitation, and I hope you enjoy the groundbreaking celebration. Again, this will be a wonderful addition to the Twin Cities community and will strengthen Saint Paul's bond with Changsha, China. I look forward to working with you in the future and I am proud to serve you in the United States Senate.

Sincerely,

Amy Klobuchar

United States Senator