



Chinese-American Oceanic and Atmospheric Association

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Dear Academician Ye's Family:

On behalf of the Chinese-American Oceanic and Atmospheric Association (COAA), we are writing to express our heartfelt sympathy and to offer our condolences to you for the passing of Academician Ye. We are all shocked and saddened to hear the loss of Prof. Ye who has been a mentor, friend, and close colleague of many of our COAA members.

Many of us have learned under his direct or indirect supervision, and have appreciated his mentorship and friendship. We are honored to have had the privilege of working closely with him. His far-reaching vision and broad knowledge in several disciplines of earth science have influenced several generations. Much of today's research endeavors are still directly or indirectly founded on or have benefitted from his tremendous contributions to the fields of meteorological dynamics, air-sea interactions, and global climate change. No doubt, he has been a giant in China and in the world in atmospheric disciplines.

He has played important and indispensable roles in shaping China's modern meteorology, climatology and earth system science efforts. His passing is not only a loss to China's Meteorological Society and the Chinese Academy of Science, but also a loss to COAA members. As one of the first Chinese scholars trained in the US, he has helped to enhance the communication between generations of Chinese and American scientists.

He will be sorely missed by his friends, his students, his fellow meteorologists and atmospheric scientists across China and around the world, and by alumni from Tsinghua University and Chicago University.

With our deepest condolences,

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