National Coalition of Asian Pacific American Community Development Urges the Senate to Act on President Obama's Nomination of Chief Justice Merrick Garland to U.S. Supreme Court

Following President Obama's announcement that Chief Judge Merrick Garland is his nomination to the Supreme Court, National Coalition of Asian Pacific American Community Development (National CAPACD) issued the following statement in support:

The National Coalition of Asian Pacific American Community Development supports President Obama's nomination of Chief Judge Merrick Garland and urges the Senate to consider the President's nominee by promptly moving forward with the process. In his nomination, President Obama has recognized the importance of filling the vacant seat and having a fully-staffed Supreme Court, an institution central to informing issues that impact our communities. Chief Judge Merrick Garland is an extremely qualified candidate with a profound understanding of his position as judge and the role of the court, as demonstrated in his nearly two decades of experience on the United States Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. The President has fulfilled his constitutional duty- now it is time for the Senate to do so. National CAPACD calls on the Senate to recognize its responsibility to the Constitution and historical precedent by taking fair and timely action in considering Chief Judge Garland.

National Coalition for Asian Pacific American Community Development's (National CAPACD) mission is to improve the quality of life for low-income Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders by promoting economic vitality, civic and political participation, and racial equity.

Our membership encompasses a diverse base of nearly 100 community-based organizations spanning 19 states and the Pacific Islands.

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