
APIASF Celebrates the Introduction of Resolution for 10th Anniversary of AANAPISIs

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Washington, D.C. (September 28, 2017) - The Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund celebrates the introduction of the Congressional resolution by Representative Judy Chu (CA - 27) of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus (CAPAC) to honor the tenth anniversary of the AANAPISI designation. The resolution emphasizes the critical role that AANAPISIs play in providing quality educational opportunities to AAPI student and preserving AAPI heritage, culture, history, and experiences.

"At its core, AANAPISIs and APIASF are both devoted to giving the future leaders of the AAPI community what they need to contribute to a more vibrant America. This is why APIASF is proud to celebrate the tenth anniversary of AANAPISIs this week by honoring Lisa Hasegawa, the Honorable Robert Underwood, and the Honorable Esther Kia'aina for their tireless efforts in the designation of AANAPISIs and focusing on the past, present, and future of AANAPISIs at our inaugural Summit: ELEVATE," says Neil Horikoshi, President and Executive Director of APIASF. "In the past ten years, AANAPISIs have served as a foothold for college access and equity across the AAPI spectrum, especially for the most marginalized groups within our communities. This resolution highlights only a small portion of the impact of AANAPISIs in shattering

barriers and opening the doors to higher education for our community. We are excited to see what the future holds for AANAPISI institutions nationwide."

Join the celebration online with @APIASF on Twitter and Facebook with #AANAPISIWeek and register for [Summit: ELEVATE](#) with our special highlight on AANAPISIs and young AAPI leaders on September 29 and 30th.

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Based in Washington, D.C., the **Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund (APIASF)** is the nation's largest non-profit organization devoted to providing college scholarships for Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI). APIASF works to create opportunities for students to access, complete, and succeed after post-secondary education; thereby developing future leaders who will excel in their career, serve as role models in their communities, and will ultimately contribute to a vibrant America. Since 2003, APIASF has distributed more than \$100 million in scholarships to deserving AAPI students. APIASF manages three scholarship programs: APIASF's general scholarship, APIASF's AANAPISI scholarship, and the Gates Millennium Scholars/Asian Pacific Islander Americans funded by a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

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