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Welcoming Remarks: Wai Wah Chin, CACAGNY President

Greetings from Special Guests including: NYC Councilmember Benjamin Kallos, NYS Assemblymembers Willliam Colton and Rebecca Seawright, NYS Senator John Liu, Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams

~ Honoring ~

(Alphabetically)

Hon. Randall T. Eng John Lam Po-ling Ng

plus

Presentation of CACAGNY Service Recognition Awards to Kenneth Chiu, Yiatin Chu, Qing Liu, & Mandy Wong, with special mentions to Vito LaBella, Linda Lam, Phil Wong & Charles Vavruska Service Recognitions to High School students Lauren Pehlivanian & Charlotte Yee
 Presentation of C.A.C.A. Detective Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarships Auction of Corky Lee's Photo: "Veterans and Railroad Descendants, 150th Anniversary
 @ Golden Spike National Park, UT"

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December 5, 2019

Dear Friends of CACAGNY,

Welcome to the Third Anniversary Dinner of CACAGNY, the Greater New York Chapter of C.A.C.A., the Chinese American Citizens Alliance!

Warm greetings to all, especially to our inspiring Honorees Hon. Randall T. Eng, John Lam, and Po-ling Ng! What a great privilege to have them here tonight! Their leadership, in their respective areas of social services, business and law, and their dedication to improving the lives of so many, are inspirations. Their achievements in the face of great challenges leave us in awe. They are models for all of us.

In our third year, CACAGNY has continued and expanded its work on the challenges of Chinese Americans in this great nation. Always aware of our history, we focus on making real change in the present for the future. The Chinese Exclusion Act was repealed in 1943, but we continue to face exclusion today, particularly in education. We are members of a greater community, and we actively work towards extending access to better education to all. But we vigilantly defend the rights of Chinese American students and all other students to be judged by their merit, rather than their race or ethnic origins. We fight racial discrimination in protests, in suasion, in the ballot box, and, by becoming plaintiff in Christa McAuliffe PTO v DeBlasio, in the courts of law.

This year, we also recognize our Chinese American World War II Veterans with the national C.A.C.A.-led effort for the Congressional Gold Medal. Recognizing and building upon Chinese American achievements while defending our rights, we can make a better world for all.

We thank our friends and members for their support. We thank our sponsors and advertisers who make our work possible.

Enjoy the evening, and best wishes as we enter the holiday season and towards another year!

Sincerely,

Wai Wah Chin President

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CACAGNY Distinguished Honoree Hon. Randall T. Eng



Justice Randall T. Eng is Of Counsel to Meyer, Suozzi, English & Klein, P.C., and a member of the Litigation Department, including the Appellate Practice and Criminal Defense groups. Justice Eng also serves as referee, receiver, and arbitrator within the firm's Alternative Dispute Resolution practice.

Justice Eng taps his vast legal and judicial experience to provide unique and insightful counsel and advice to Meyer Suozzi's clients, including all manner of business affairs, litigation, appeals and dispute resolution.

In 2019, Justice Eng received the Charles W. Froessel Award at the Queens County Bar Association's 142nd Annual Dinner and Installation of Officers and Managers. In 2018, Justice Eng received the Career Public Service Award at The Fund for Modern Courts. He was also honored at The Asian American Bar Association of New York's Annual Judges' Reception. Justice Eng also received The Queens District Attorney Office Public Service Excellence Award at The Annual Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Celebration.

Immediately prior to joining Meyer Suozzi, Justice Eng served as the

Presiding Justice of the Appellate Division, Second Department – the busiest and largest Judicial Department in New York State, covering Queens, Brooklyn, Staten Island, the counties of Nassau, Suffolk, Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland and Westchester, handling over 9,000 appeals per year. The presiding justice is the highest-ranking judge in the appellate division, in charge of all of its operations, as well as a sitting practicing judge on panels of appeal.

Born in Guangzhou, China, Justice Eng was raised in New York City. He earned his undergraduate degree from State University of New York at Buffalo and his juris doctor degree from St. John's University School of Law in 1972.

Following law school, Justice Eng began his esteemed legal career in public service as an assistant district attorney in Queens County. At the time, he became the first Asian American appointed as an assistant prosecutor in New York State history and served in this role from 1973-1980. He then served as the Deputy Inspector General of the New York City Correction Department from 1980 to 1981, and later became the Inspector General, a role in which he served from 1981 to 1983.

In 1983, Justice Eng became the first Asian American to become a judge in New York State, when he was appointed to the Criminal Court of the City of New York by Mayor Edward I. Koch. He sat in the Criminal Court until 1988 when he was designated an Acting Justice of the New York State Supreme Court. In 1990 and 2004, Justice Eng was elected and reelected to full 14-year terms on that bench.

Following these terms, he was appointed Administrative Judge of the Criminal Term of Queens County Supreme Court in 2007, and served in that role until 2008. In 2012, Governor Cuomo appointed Justice Eng to lead the Second Department, where he became the first Asian American to serve as Presiding Justice in New York State's history.

Justice Eng served as President of the Association of Supreme Court Justices of the City of New York and as a member of the Advisory Committee on Judicial Ethics. He is currently a member of the Permanent Sentencing Commission for New York State and the New York State Judicial Institute on Professionalism in the Law. He has also served as an adjunct professor at St. John's University School of Law.

In addition to his prolific legal career, Justice Eng proudly served his country as a member of the New York Army National Guard from 1970 until 2004, when he retired as State Judge Advocate holding the rank of Colonel.

Congratulations to the

Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York

and the 2019 Honorees

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CACAGNY Distinguished Honoree John Lam



John Lam, the founding Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Lam Group, Chairman of Real Hospitality Group, the founding director of the East Bank of New York, the Honorary President of the New York Garment Chamber of Commerce, the overseas consultant of China Federation of Returned Overseas Chinese, the founder and chair member of China-US Hotel General Chamber of Commerce, vice president of US Chinese Chamber of Commerce, the board member of college foundation of New York City College of Science and Technology.

In 1972, John Lam started his business in the garment industry. Through hard work and unique vision, he became the largest garment manufacturer in New York City, operating thirteen garment factories and producing nine clothing brands. In late of 1990's, Mr. Lam's garment business created more than 3,000 jobs and generated substantial income and revenue within the garment sector.

Lam's business didn't stop at garment industry. A great entrepreneur is always thinking bigger. Mr. Lam subsequently endeavored into the real estate business since then, and has successfully sold his garment business and become a giant real estate developer today. Now, Lam Group is a

privately-held, comprehensive real estate investment firm experienced in the acquisition, development, and management of various hotel, residential, office, and mixed-use properties primarily in New York City. With over 20 years of real estate investment experience, the firm has acquired and developed more than 50 properties. Led by John Lam, who understood that the opportunities could be made, not found, Lam Group has built its reputation on the transformation of over 3 million square feet of underutilized properties into highly-desirable assets. Since 1997, the Lam Group has been expanding its real estate investment into the hospitality sector. Now, with over 25 hotels developed from the ground up, 13 in its current portfolio, and over one million square feet of 4 hotel projects under development, Lam Group is recognized as a premier developer of branded hotel properties in New York City. Real Hospitality Group, as Lam Group's affiliation, manages 110 hotels across the US with managing assets more than 4 billion US dollars. It was ranked # 15 among the Top 100 Hotel Management Company of the US by Hotel Business Magazine in recent years.

Over the years, various organizations have awarded and recognized the accomplishments of Mr. Lam and the Lam Group. In 1990, Mr. Lam was named an All-Star by Crain's New York Business Magazine. In 1997, he received the Ellis Island Medal of Honor Award. In 2006, Mr. Lam received the Man of the Year Award presented by the Chinese-American Planning Council for his grassroots social service for his community. In 2009, he was honored as one of the Ten Outstanding Chinese Most Influential Entrepreneurs of 2009 by the China International Economic Cooperation Society of Ministry of Commerce. In 2012, the Lam Group was named Developer of the Year for Select Service Hotels by Starwood Hotels & Resorts, which also deemed its Aloft Brooklyn as the Best New Built Select Service Hotel of the Year. In the same year, InterContinental Hotels Group also named Lam Group Developer of the Year for Upscale Hotel In 2014, Mr. Lam and the Lam Group were honored with the Top 10 Asian for the Indigo Brooklyn. American Business Award by US Pan Asian American Chamber of Commerce - Northeast Chapter (USPAACC). In 2015, Mr. Lam received the Career Builder Award by US CMP (Career. Mobility. Partnership), the Outstanding Chinese Award by the Ming Pao Daily News for his leadership and influence among Asian Americans, and was named Developer of the Year from Marriott for the Renaissance Brand. In 2016, Mr. Lam was honored to be invited by Charles, Prince of Wales for an imperial dinner in London. A Golden Horse Award was granted to him by China Hotel Magazine. In 2017, Mr. Lam received Outstanding Business Leader Award by International Leadership Foundation in Washington D.C.; the Most Influential Golden Horse Award by China Hotel Magazine; Lifetime achievement Award by American Asian Real Estate Professional Association (AREPA); Distinguished Person Award by Queens TRIBUNE PRESS; In 2018, Lifetime Achievement Award by the President of the US, Donald Trump.



Congratulations to John Lam, Po-ling Ng & Hon. Randall Eng

Thank you for your services to our Community



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CACAGNY Distinguished Honoree **Po-Ling Ng**



Po-Ling Ng is the Assistant Executive Director of the Chinese-American Planning Council (CPC), the Director of Project Open Door, and a prior President and Vice President of Manhattan's Community School Board 2, Ms. Ng's many achievements to date have brought her a long way from her humble beginning.

Overcoming adversity since childhood, Ms. Ng has taken a path of hard work and determination. She was born and raised in a poor family of eight in China and then migrated with her parents to Hong Kong in 1949. Despite growing up in extreme poverty, she received a bachelors degree in Sociology from Chu Hoi College in 1963, as well as a teaching degree from the Sir Robert Black Teachers College of Education in 1967, now a part of the Education University of Hong Kong.

In hopes of a brighter future, Ms. Ng moved to New York with her husband in 1967. Language barriers kept her form continuing the teaching careeer she loved in Hong Kong, and instead she worked as a seamstress at a garment factory in Chinatown. In 1975, she was suddenly widowed and became the single mother of four. With the support of her mother-in-law, Ms. Ng went on to earn both a master's degree in social work from Fordham University in 1983 to provide better for her children. Grateful to her mother-in-law, she decided to dedicate her life to improving care for older adults in her community.

Ms. Ng has been the first and only Director of Project Open Door, a CPC facility that offers social services and educational, recreational, and cultural activities for older adults. This pioneering center is the largest of its kind, serving more than 800 Asian-Americans daily. Under her leadership, the initiative established the first Meals-On-Wheels program in New York City, as well as other trailblazing programs. Through her advocacy and networking, Project Open Door secured additional city funding in 2005 that tripled the amount of space in which to serve seniors. The renovation was heralded as a flagship example of how a senior center could incorporate lively, cutting-edge design with function and utility.

Over the past 50 years, Ms. Ng has made a meaningful impact on the lives of many generations – from children to seniors. She has been honored with over one hundred awards in the United States and China in recognition of her achievements.



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December 5, 2019

Dear Friends:

It is a pleasure to send greetings to everyone gathered for the Third Anniversary Dinner of the New York Chapter of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance (C.A.C.A).

The Empire State's greatest strength is its cultural diversity, which includes a thriving population of Chinese Americans who enrich our society. Founded well over a century ago in San Francisco, the C.A.C.A. has been a steadfast foundation of support and advocacy for the Chinese American community through its social, health, and educational resources and services.

Today, the New York Chapter celebrates the three-year anniversary of its reestablishment as an affiliate of the Alliance, serving youth, adults, and seniors within the metropolitan region. This valuable network of assistance for individuals and entire families is proud to remain an affiliate of an important resource that upholds a long tradition of service to others and I join congratulating all who continue to work toward its meaningful objectives.

Warmest regards and best wishes for every future success.

Sincerely, ANDREW M. CUOMO

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Recognitions of Past and Future

General William Chen, first Chinese American Two Star General in the U.S. Army, came to New York with past C.A.C.A. president Ed Gor to review the status of the **Congressional Gold Medal** (CGM) for **Chinese American World War II Veterans**, a project led by the Chinese American Citizens Alliance. See caww2.org. General Chen also spoke on WWII history and Chinese Americans in the military. High School students who worked on the CGM were recognized. General Chen was presented a Corky Lee photo (a copy to be auctioned tonight).



C.A.C.A.-CACAGNY's Essay Contest fosters the knowledge of topics important to Chinese Americans with \$1,000 First Prize.





November 18, 2019

Chinese American Citizens Alliance Greater New York

Congratulations to the Chinese American Citizens Alliance Greater New York as you complete another successful year and celebrate the 3rd anniversary of CACAGNY.

You have continued to advocate for Chinese American interests based on principles of fairness and equal opportunity and guided by the ideals of patriotism, civility, dedication to family and culture, and the highest ethical and moral standards.

Your honoring of community leaders and the awards to the recipients of your Det. Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarships recognizes their well-deserved achievements.

I also appreciate your support of the C.A.C.A.-led effort, to which I have been deeply dedicated these last two years, to honor our Chinese American World War II Veterans with the Congressional Gold Medal. We want these vets and their families in Greater New York and all of the U.S. to register on <u>CAWW2.org</u> and to participate in the honors next year.

Best wishes to you, your honorees and the entire gathering.

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William S. Chen Major General US Army Retired

Supporting Education

CACAGNY continues multiple education initiatives to support education for Chinese Americans: held its annual C.A.C.A. - CACAGNY essay writing contest; supported Reject Referendum 88 in Washington State; supported Gifted and Talented and Honors Programs in all schools and districts of the city.







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November 25, 2019

Wai Wah Chin President Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York (CACAGNY) 39 Bowery New York, NY 10002-6702

Dear President Chin:

Brooklyn is the proud home to the fastest-growing Chinese community in New York City, and represents the fourth largest population of Chinese residents in the United States. It is a time-honored tradition to recognize our borough's Chinese-American residents, whose academic and entrepreneurial excellence are models for success, and whose cultural riches add great texture to Brooklyn's special quality of life. I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings and congratulations to you, the board members, staff, and supporters of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York (CACAGNY), as you gather on your third Anniversary Dinner celebration at the Golden Unicorn Restaurant in New York's Chinatown.

The Chinese American Citizens Alliance, formed in San Francisco in 1895, and has served the community for over 120 years however, the Greater New York chapter returned only three years ago after a 30-year hiatus. Since then, they have worked extremely hard for the community in a variety of areas, which includes providing scholarships, holding forums on crime and safety, college admissions, film, and potential political candidates. CACAGNY has made economic contributions to the city's Chinese population therefore, it is important that Brooklyn join with CACAGNY in recognizing its honorees and their unwavering dedication and support to the Chinese community is outstanding.

On behalf of all 2.6 million Brooklynites, I salute you, President Chin, for your steadfast leadership. I commend the Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York for its exemplary service to this great borough and New York City. Furthermore, I congratulate tonight's honorees as they are honored for their ongoing commitment, both personally and professionally, to the Chinese and Chinese-American community. Finally, I thank everyone for helping us move forward together as *One Brooklyn*.

Sincerely. i L'Arlan

Eric L. Adams Brooklyn Borough President



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December 5, 2019

Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York 39 Bowery New York, NY 10002



Dear Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York:

I write to extend my warmest greetings to everyone gathered to celebrate the third anniversary of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York.

The Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York (CACAGNY) was originally founded in 1895 in San Francisco, California. Committed to resisting efforts to disenfranchise Chinese-Americans, CACAGNY has continuously fought to safeguard the rights and privileges of American citizens. For over a century, CACAGNY has been at the vanguard of efforts to guarantee equal treatment for all.

CACAGNY hosts numerous community activities that promote the well-being of its members, including its Mid-Autumn Film Festival, forums on crime and safety, and essay contests. The membership of CACAGNY is comprised of activists who seek to empower and enhance the future of Chinese-Americans in the United States. I am honored to congratulate the Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York on its third anniversary.

Please accept my best wishes for a wonderful dinner and much continued success!

Sincerely,

Grace Meng Member of Congress

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Dear Friends,

It is with great pleasure that I extend my warmest greetings and congratulations on the occasion of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance 3rd Anniversary Dinner. I am very excited to join everyone in commemorating the accomplishments of Chinese American Citizens Alliance and celebrating its continued success. We also want to give our most sincere congratulations to the recipients of the Det. Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship awardees.

The Chinese American Citizens Alliance, formed in San Francisco in 1895, has served our community for over 120 years. The current Greater New York chapter returned only three years ago after a 30-year hiatus. Since then, they have worked hard for the community in a variety of areas, including scholarships; forums on crime and safety; college admissions education; films; and political involvement.

On behalf of the New York State Senate, I commend all the membership of Chinese American Citizens Alliance for their invaluable and essential services. My sincere thanks to the inaugural officers, the founding and charter members for their hard work and dedicated leadership. I look forward to working with the Chinese American Citizens Alliance in the future and I would like to express my deepest gratitude and personal wishes for its continued excellence.

Sincerely,

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Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York 39 Bowery, #613 New York, NY 10002

Dear Friends:

I am delighted to congratulate you as you celebrate another year of service.

The community welcomes the return of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York (CACAGNY). I know that Chinese Americans appreciate your advocating for their interests and your work to increase fairness and equal opportunity.

Through your scholarships, outstanding students will be able to pursue their dreams. The public becomes more informed about important issues such as education and politics with your helpful forums. Thank you for hosting activities that bring the diverse groups of New York together.

Congratulations to your honorees for their support of the community. I would also like to congratulate the recipients of your Detective Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship. I wish you every measure of success as you continue your good work now and in the future.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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December 2019

Dear Friends,

Congratulations to the Chinese American Citizens Alliance (C.A.C.A.) of Greater New York on your Third Annual Dinner Celebration on December 5, 2019.

The New York chapter of the C.A.C.A is once again an fundamental part of a national organization that has encouraged and aided Chinese Americans since 1895.

2019 marks the one hundred and third year since the inception of the kindred C.A.C.A organization in New York. Today an innovative group of community leaders and supporters have taken on the responsibility in New York of fostering Chinese American interests, as well as building upon its prolific history. CACAGNY has worked diligently on education, various forums on important issues and has supported the work of government.

I congratulate your many deserving honorees and look forward to continuing to work with the CACAGNY on your ongoing mission of fairness, equal opportunity, the principles of patriotism, civility, dedication to family and culture, with the highest ethical and moral standards.

Again, best wishes for a wonderful Dinner.

Sincerely.

Peter J! Abbate, Jf. Member of Assembly

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November 18, 2019

President Wai Wah Chin 39 Bowery # 613 New York NY 10002

Dear President Wai Wah Chin:

Congratulations to the Chinese American Citizens Alliance, formed in San Francisco in 1895, which has served for over 120 years, but a Greater New York chapter returned only two years ago after a 30-year hiatus. Since then, you have worked hard for the community in a variety of areas, including giving scholarships and holding forums on crime and safety, college admissions, films.

I especially want to congratulate you in that you will be AWARDING the third set recipients of Detective Wenjian Liu Law Enforcement Scholarship.

I congratulate your President Wai Wah Chin and all your officers' great success as you back to New York the services for which your parent organization has been renowned.

I am sure that this will bring great benefits to all those with whom your New York Chapter comes into contact.

ery truly yours

William Colton Member of Assembly 47th AD

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Second Anniversary Gala Dinner

CACAGNY celebrated its Second Anniversary on December 1, 2018 with a great gathering including Honorees Norma Chu, David J. Louie, Sr., and Robin Mui. CACAGNY also presented the second set of Detective Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarships and CACAGNY Service Recognition Awards.























2019 Auction with Proceeds to CACAGNY for the Congressional Gold Medal for Chinese American WWII Vets

CACAGNY gratefully thanks **Corky Lee** for donating his "Veterans and Railroad Descendants, 150th Anniversary @ Golden Spike National Park, UT"

commemorating the completion of the Transcontinental Railroad 10 May 2019. A print of this was also presented on 21 September 2019 to **General William Chen**, Railroad Descendant and First Chinese American U.S. Army Two-Star General.



Celebrating

CACAGNY began the year celebrating Chinese New Year with thousands of New Yorkers in the Flushing Chinatown parade at the beginning of the year.





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December 5, 2019

Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York 39 Bowery, #613 New York NY 10002

Dear Friends,

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York's (CACAGNY) 2019 Annual Gala and Award Dinner.

Since its inception, CACAGNY has demonstrated a clear commitment to advancing the rights and welfare of the Asian American community in New York. Its mission in helping New Yorkers, including immigrant families, navigate our often daunting legal and educational system for the sake of future generations has had a lasting, positive impact. Through its many initiatives and projects, CACAGNY has established an indispensable role for itself as an invaluable resource for the community. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate this year's honorees: Hon. Randall Eng, the first Asian American judge in the state of New York; John Lam, Chairman and CEO of Lam Group; and Po-ling Ng, Senior Services Director and Director of the Open Door Senior Center for the Chinese-American Planning Council.

On behalf of the New York State Assembly, I extend my best wishes for a successful evening and even greater future successes.

Sincerely,

Ron Kim Member of Assembly District 40, Queens



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December 5th, 2019

The Chinese American Citizen's Alliance of Greater New York 39 Bowery St. #613 New York, NY 10002

Dear Friends,

It is a pleasure to send my personal greetings to those in attendance at the 3rd Annual Chinese American Citizen's Alliance of Greater New York's Dinner Celebration. Since its re-establishment in 2016, the CACAGNY has worked tirelessly to empower Chinese Americans by advocating for them on the principles of fairness and equal opportunity. The CACAGNY's many accomplishments over the last three years are to be commended and recognized.

I'd like to offer my sincerest congratulations to all of tonight's honorees, it is wonderful to see that the hard work of members of our community is recognized, and I thank you for your time and efforts. I would also like to congratulate the recipients of the Det. Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship. I can think of no better way to honor the life and legacy of Detective Liu than by awarding scholarships in his name to those deserving.

I want to assure you that I will keep fighting to uphold the values and ideals of the Chinese-American community, including strongly opposing Mayor de Blasio's attempts to reduce standards at New York City Specialized High Schools and eliminate Gifted and Talented programs in our city's public schools. It has been an honor to work alongside various leaders in your community to ensure these programs never go by the wayside. I hope everyone enjoys their time at this year's Dinner Celebration. I join you in appreciation of another year of hard work by the CACAGNY.

Sincere

Nicole Malliotakis Member of Assembly 64th District

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CACAGNY Service Recognition Award

CACAGNY is grateful for the hard work of community members who toil, sometimes for years, on projects that affect the daily lives of their neighbors, without any thought of recognition. Whether fighting for better schools or access to them, protecting the Specialized High Schools, opposing new jails harmful to communities, or protesting improper dumping of crime-ridden shelters on unequipped neighborhoods, they work tirelessly, bravely and with commitment for their community. We recognize with great appreciation CACAGNY members **Kenneth Chiu**, **Yiatin Chu**, **Qing Liu** and **Mandy Wong** for their great service to our communities. They join 2018 recipients **Vito LaBella** and **Linda Lam**, the **Christa McAuliffe PTO** and 2017 recipients **Phil Wong**, **Charles Vavruska**, (both recognized in 2018 for their continuing extraordinary service) and **Elmhurst United. Linda Lam**, **Vito LaBella**, **Phil Wong** and **Charles Vavruska** are again recognized this year for their continuing exemplary service. CACACGNY also gratefully recognizes the Stuyvesant High School seniors **Lauren Pehlivanian** and **Charlotte Yee**, both of whom have served us years, particularly on the Congressional Gold Medal efforts, as well as other activities ranging from college talks to films.

C.A.C.A. Detective Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship



The Chinese American Citizens Alliance Community Involvement Fund will fund the second Detective Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship in honor of the Chinese American policeman slain in December 2014 while protecting and serving as one of New York City's finest. C.A.C.A. members from as far away as California and Oregon, led by President Ed Gor from Texas, were moved by the death of Det. Wenjian Liu three years ago in New York. Det. Wenjian Liu was from Toishan (Taishan) of Guangdong, a place many Chinese Americans call ancestral home; nearly all the early Chinese immigrants to the U.S. came from that one county. Our President Gor, also of Toishan County, reached out to our C.A.C.A. members to honor Liu with a living memorial to make a real, lasting impact to improve the future of our communities. Our

members responded immediately and contributed funds to establish a scholarship to be named in honor of Det. Wenjian Liu and to support other Chinese-Americans who hope to serve their community by police work. We are pleased to present our third Detective Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarships of \$1,000 each award to two New Yorkers who aspire to be police officers: current John Jay College graduate student Crystal Lee and junior Jennifer Hong. They join 2018 recipients Bida Chen and Kenny Liu, and 2017 recipients Harrison Yuan and Peng Zhang.





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December 5, 2019

Chinese American Citizens Alliance 39 Bowery #613 New York, NY 10002

Dear friends of Chinese American Citizens Alliance,

I am honored to extend my congratulations to all of the individuals who have joined the Chinese American Citizens Alliance on the occasion of their Third Anniversary Dinner celebration.

The Chinese American Citizens Alliance, formed in 1895, has vigorously fought for civil rights throughout its history and has engaged the Chinese American community in various activities and events. Since returning from hiatus three years ago, the Greater New York chapter has worked hard on issues of real importance to the community, such as crime, employment, and education.

I would also like to commend tonight's honorees, including the recipients of the Det. Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship, for their contributions to our community.

Once again, I commend the Chinese American Citizens Alliance on their Third Anniversary celebration and extend my gratitude to them for the efforts they lead to provide their critical services. I look forward to their future accomplishments and wish the organization continued success in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

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Dear Friends:

Congratulations to the Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York (CACAGNY) on the occasion of your 2019 Annual Dinner Gala! I am excited to have this opportunity to send my greetings as you all gather for this celebration.

CACAGNY has made a positive difference in our community with programs for education, healthcare, and celebration of Chinese American heritage since its inception three years ago.

I would also like to congratulate this year's recipients of the Detective Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship.

Again, congratulations to everyone in the CACAGNY extended family on another successful year of purposeful work for our community. Have a great evening!

Sincerely,

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CACAGNY Opposes Discrimination against Asian Kids in NYC Education

The Mayor and Chancellor continued to hurt Asian kids' education. CACAGNY galvanized parents to protest and speak out, and joined a lawsuit against the City; all this resulted in opposition that De Blasio, Carranza, Albany, and the press could not ignore. CACAGNY spoke at forums and hearings held by the City Council, the State Education Committee, the State Assembly, and the State Senate, at all five boroughs in the City as well as in Albany. We showed DeBlasio's proposal to dismantle the Specialized High Schools to be so toxic that the State Legislature declined to consider DeBlasio's proposal in the last legislative session.







Fighting for Justice

CACAGNY joined a critical Federal lawsuit against the Mayor's unconstitutional racial gerrymandering for admissions to the Specialized High Schools. Asians make up about half the students at the Specialized High Schools, and Asians, many being recent immigrants, have the highest poverty rate in New York City. The Mayor and the Chancellor want to decimate Asian enrollment in the Specialized High Schools, and this lawsuit aims to stop them.



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December 5, 2019

Greetings to the Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York (CACAGNY) Community!

On the occasion of its Third Anniversary Dinner celebration, we honor the work of CACAGNY, formed in San Francisco in 1895, working toward empowering Chinese-Americans. The CACAGNY New York Chapter continues to work hard for its community in awarding scholarships, and holding forums on crime safety, college admission and films.

The CACAGNY has the mission of fighting racial discrimination, defending civil rights, opposing antiimmigrant movements and countering efforts to marginalize American Chinese culture and heritage. Congratulations to the recipients of the Det. Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship who emulate the values of the CACAGNY community.

Congratulations and best wishes for continued success to the Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York (CACAGNY) community!

Best Wishes,

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November 19, 2019

Wai Wah Chin Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater NY 39 Bowery New York, New York 10002-6702

Dear President Chin,

It is with great pleasure that I extend congratulations to the Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York – the oldest Asian American advocacy organization in the United States. I extend my warmest greetings to you, the members and supporters of CACAGNY as you gather for your Third Anniversary Gala.

I am proud to represent a diverse district, where the Asian American community is an essential, growing part of our rich cultural mosaic. Your organizations mission to empower and guide Chinese American residents, by advocacy for Chinese-American interests based on principal, fairness and equal opportunity is commendable.

My best wishes for an enjoyable evening and much success while continuing to do your outstanding work in improving our quality of life and making our community a better place to live.

Sincerely,

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December 2, 2019

Wai Wah Chin, President Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York 39 Bowery #613 New York, NY 10002

Dear Friends,

Congratulations to the Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York (CACAGNY) on hosting its third anniversary dinner celebration. CACAGNY does remarkable work in empowering Chinese Americans and acting as advocates for Chinese-American interests. During my two years in office, I have seen firsthand the amazing work that your organization does. We have worked together on issues like protecting the Specialized High School Admissions Test (SHSAT) and fighting to keep Rikers Island open instead of building community jails throughout the city.

The Chinese American Citizens Alliance has served the community for over 120 years, and I am glad to see that three years ago Chinese-American leaders in New York decided to revive the chapter. Since then, CACAGNY has worked vigorously to offer scholarships, hold forums on crime and safety, assist students with the college admission process, defend the SHSAT, and lobby elected officials for the greater good of the Chinese community. CACAGNY also honors recipients with the Detective Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship, a wonderful gesture memorializing a Chinese-American hero, a decorated NYPD officer who tragically passed away in 2014 while on duty with his partner. You are an incredible organization, and I am extremely proud to support you.

As a New York City Council Member, I will always advocate on behalf of the Chinese community. You have an ally in me; one that will always have your back.

Congratulations to all the honorees and the recipients of the Detective Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement scholarship. Also, congratulations are in store for the celebration of CACAGNY's third anniversary dinner. Thank you for inviting me, and I wish you many more years of success in the future.

Sincerely,

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Robert F. Holden New York City Council Member, District 30

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November 26, 2019

Wai Wah Chin President of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance Greater New York (CACAGNY) 39 Bowery #613 New York, NY 10002

Dear Friends,

Thank you to the Chinese American Citizens Alliance Greater New York Chapter for your invitation to the third anniversary dinner. It is my absolute pleasure to extend greetings to everyone in attendance and to celebrate the organizations accomplishments tonight.

The Chinese Americans Citizens Alliance of Greater New York has without a doubt been very dedicated in serving their communities in New York City. This organization is a guiding force for the people it represents and an invaluable resource in advocating on their behalf on the prime principles of fairness and equal opportunity. Tonight is a celebration of your work and accomplishments.

We have seen CACAGNY helping the community by giving scholarships, helping young and driven adults with their college admission process, holding discussions on crime and safety, and helping those or their families economically.

CACGNY has focused their energy on the future of Chinese Americans as citizens of the United States, they advocate for their patriotism, civility, and dedication to their families and culture.

On behalf of the Upper East Side, I wish you and your chapter success in the many years to come.

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December 5, 2019

Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York 39 Bowery, 613 New York, NY 10002

Dear Friends:

It is with great pleasure that I extend my warmest greetings and congratulations on the occasion of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Greater New York's Third Anniversary Dinner celebration at the Golden Unicorn Restaurant.

After a 30-year hiatus, two years the alliance brought back to New York a chapter of the national Chinese American Citizens Alliance, which has served as a nationally known advocate for Chinese Americans since 1895.

On behalf of the New York City Council, I'd like to congratulate the commend the officers, staff and members of the New York Chapter of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance for their tireless work in providing needed services to our community. Congratulations also to the award recipients of the Det. Wenjian Liu Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship.

Please accept my best wishes for a successful event.

Sincerely,

Peter Koo

Mid-Autumn Film Festival: Films by or about Chinese Americans

Oct. 26-27, 2019

CACAGNY held its 3rd Annual MAFF screening 9 feature/mediun length films and 5 shorts by or about Chinese Americans, followed by panel discussions with filmmakers and experts at 21 Pell St. in NYC Chinatown.



In memory of the Honorable Dr. Thomas Tam founder of the Chinatown Health Clinic











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Opposing New Chinatown Jail

CACAGNY joined Neighbors United Below Canal and other citizens opposing the plans for a new mega jail in Chinatown.



Congratulation to C.A.C.A. GNY Lodge on their 3rd Annual Gala





Congratulations to Chinese American Citizens Alliance Greater New York Honorees

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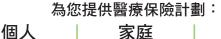
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