



Congresswoman Hilda L. Solis

Honors Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

Greetings

May 2002

Dear Friends and Neighbors!

May is Asian Pacific American Heritage Month! We have much to be proud of as we recognize its 25th Anniversary. The APA community has made remarkable strides, and in commemoration of these achievements, I renew my commitment to serving the Asian Pacific American community.

As a member of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, I am working to ensure that the needs of the APA community are addressed. Most recently, I spearheaded a Congressional letter to urge the Bush Administration to make sure government programs are accessible to limited English proficient individuals, an essential service for many new immigrants. I have also been active on immigrant issues, including working to restore food stamp benefits and extending medical coverage to legal immigrants and children.

I hope you find this newsletter informative and helpful. I'm here to serve you. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call my office.

Sincerely,

Hilda



Congresswoman Solis discusses proposals to improve health care for residents in our community with Congressional interns during a health care forum in Los Angeles.

Solis Supports Legislation That . . .

- ✓ Provides funding for culturally sensitive domestic violence outreach and education (H.R. 4089)
- ✓ Increases funding for and access to higher education for minority students (H.R. 1162)
- ✓ Assists states and local jurisdictions in prosecuting hate crimes (H.R. 1343)
- ✓ Permits states to cover legal immigrants under the Medicaid program and the State Children's Health insurance Program (H.R. 1143)
- ✓ Protects the voting rights of disadvantaged communities (H.R. 1170)
- ✓ Allows Filipino Veterans to receive benefits administered by the Secretary of Veteran's Affairs (H.R. 491)

Solis's Upcoming Events

ARTISTIC DISCOVERY EVENT	MAY 18, 2002
MEMORIAL DAY EVENTS	MAY 27, 2002
GRANTS SEMINAR	JUNE 1, 2002
IMMIGRATION WORKSHOP	AUGUST 2002

To receive information about these events, please contact my district offices.

Local Highlight

College Preparatory Conference Helps Local Students Pursue Higher Education

Congresswoman Hilda Solis hosted a College Preparatory Conference this past November, to help local students and parents navigate the college application process. Students met with college recruiters and attended seminars, including a workshop on how to finance a college education. Parents attended a packed "Road to the University" workshop, to learn how to prepare for their child's higher education. To find out about next year's event or other events, please contact the district offices.



Congresswoman Solis joined other Members of Congress at an event in late April honoring Asian Pacific Heritage Month.

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