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# HORIZON

## A Message from the President: A Renewed Sense of Purpose



Having lived in the Greater Washington area for over nine years and being involved in OCA-DC for the past three, I have seen the dramatic growth of the Asian American population in the region for the past decade and as a result, the mushrooming of the Asian American, particularly Chinese American, organizations.

With all the growth and energy comes the desire to connect and organize.

What this means for OCA-DC is that we now have many more partners and competitors in the community, playing the roles we have been playing for over three decades and forcing us to redefine ourselves and our value to the community.

In late March, the new board of directors had a retreat and took a critical look at our organization's past, present, and future. We all agreed that with the changing dynamics of the Asian American community, we need to retool and refocus to better position ourselves as a well-established and nationally affiliated organization with rich history of advocacy. Our vision for this chapter is simple—to be a voice for the Asian American community, to bring our people together whether they native-born or

foreign born or Chinese or non-Chinese, and to connect our members with one another.

As a member organization, we are nothing without our members. To better connect with our members, we are focusing on improving communication infrastructure and organizing member events such as the new OCA Forum that aims to involve, engage, and serve our members' interests.

But we can't do it alone. We need your help to make this chapter truly one of the most dynamic and active chapters among the over 50 chapters of OCA nationwide. Please share with us your ideas and how you can help by sending me an email at [lily.ocadc@yahoo.com](mailto:lily.ocadc@yahoo.com). I look forward to serving you and connecting with you.

## OCA-DC Membership Online Survey

An online survey is underway to get your feedback on what is important to you. This will be your golden opportunity to provide input on OCA-DC's future. When

you receive the online link to the survey, please take a few minutes to answer the 10 questions that will help OCA-DC serve your needs. The results will be compiled

and published in an upcoming newsletter -- stay tuned and thank You in advance for your invaluable participation!

### OCA Facts

- Founded in 1973
- Has 80 chapters and affiliates across the nation
- Represents over 10,000 people (Affiliates, College Affiliates, Young OCA, OCA Young Professionals, General membership)
- First and only national Chinese American civil rights organization headquartered in D.C.

For comments & suggestions on the newsletter, please send to Dawn Li at [dawnh\\_li@yahoo.com](mailto:dawnh_li@yahoo.com).

## Sweet Victory -- Maryland Officially Recognizes Lunar New Year Day



Lily Qi, President of OCA-DC, Prepares Testimony

On February 14, 2006, OCA-DC President Lily Qi testified on behalf of our chapter to support both the Senate and House bills to make the Asian Lunar New Year Day a Commemorative Day in the state of Maryland. It turned out to be a sweet victory for all the community leaders involved in pushing the resolution forward, including the chapter's past president David Yao. Both chambers of the Maryland General Assembly passed the bill (House Bill 324 and Senate Bill 89) shortly afterwards, and Governor Ehrlich signed the bill into law. From now on, every year on the Lunar New Year Day, which many of our members refer to as the Chinese New Year Day, or Spring Festival, the sitting Governor of Maryland will issue a proclamation to officially commemorate the day as the Asian Lunar New Year Day.

Though not an officially holiday, having the Asian Lunar New Year Day will mean greater sensitivity towards those who observe the holiday and more cultural awareness of our heritage. For example, public schools in Maryland will not schedule major tests or mandatory activities. There is likely going to be celebrations and activities organized by all levels of government (city, county, state), and we can expect more awareness among the non-Asian population and hopefully greater curiosity about our cultural heritage. In addition, it will be a lot easier for us to take off from work during that holiday season because employers will be notified of the up-

coming Lunar New Year and its traditions beforehand.

Below is Lily Qi's testimony on the Lunar New Year Bill on February 14, 2006, which was quoted in the Baltimore Sun.

### Testimony on the Asian Lunar New Year Bill

Lily Qi

February 14, 2006

Thank you Chairman. Thank you Committee Members.

My name is Lily Qi, President of the Organization of Chinese Americans Greater Washington, DC Chapter. I'm here to support Senate Bill 89 for the Lunar New Year Commemorative Day.

For a long time, Asian Americans, many of whom are immigrants, have little voice. Our traditional cultural values tend to hold us back and our lack of collective political power make us afraid of asking for anything. Having the Lunar New Year Commemorative Day will make us feel that we have a voice and it is heard.

America has a multicultural face but a white image. Asian Americans are often perceived as perpetual foreigners even if many were born and raised in this country and the only language they speak is English.

As a mother and an immigrant, I have had many conversations with my son, who has to reconcile his Americanness with his Asian face. I believe that having his parents' heritage honored and openly celebrated by mainstream America will teach youngsters like my son that celebrating one's

heritage is not backward or weird; that one doesn't need to denounce one set of cultural traditions and values in order to fit in, and that being an Asian American does not make you somehow less American.

There was a time when being Irish meant being less than American. Today Irish Americans no longer need to prove their Americanness. Like the St. Patrick's Day, the Lunar New Year Day should be considered an American holiday, where people of all ethnic backgrounds can feel free to celebrate not because they are Asian or Irish but because they are Americans.

Giving us the choice to take the day off as a personal leave day from work without feeling guilty or having to justify it is what I, and many Asian Americans hope this bill can accomplish. Though not considered a religious holiday, LNY carries significant spiritual meanings to those of us who observe it. It is the most important holiday for us, spiritually and culturally.

Changing demographics often lead to the change of public policies. Today, Asian Americans are not only among the fastest growing population in Maryland, but we are also the backbone of many industries that define Maryland's core economies.

To us Marylanders, having a LNY Day is a symbol that our state is ahead of the curve. It will make Maryland an even more attractive place to live, work, and do business not just for Asian Americans but for all Americans who want to be  
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On May 2, Maryland Governor Bob Ehrlich signed the bill into law to officially commemorate the Lunar New Year Day as a holiday in the state of Maryland.



Interview by Reporter

## Chapter Updates

### Wiffle Ball Tournament

For the second year in a row, OCA-DC was the title sponsor of the University of Maryland Asian American Student Union's Annual Wiffle Ball Tournament. It is an annual fundraiser that donates all its proceeds to a designated relief fund. This year's recipient of the students' charitable contributions were the mudslide victims of a village in India. Last year, the donations went to the Katrina relief efforts. Lily Qi represented the chapter to present the tournament trophy to the winning team on April 8 at the University's College Park campus.

### Medicare Part D Enrollment

OCA-DC was a partner with CCACC and the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services in organizing a Medicare Part D enrollment event targeting Chinese Americans 65 years or older. Chapter volunteers Jim McCallum, Chuen-Yen Lau, Francis Ng, Alice Fan, Cathy Lin and other University of Maryland students helped seniors with the registration process.

### Celebrating 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

OCA-DC exhibited at the Maryland Soccerplex in the Germantown Recreation Park on May 20, as part of Montgomery County's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Asian Pacific American Heritage Month. Several chapter members including Lisa Lee, Francis Ng, Jim McCallum, and Lily Qi exhibited at the event.

### OCA at the Forefront of Educating our Community on Immigration Reform

On April 27, OCA-DC co-sponsored the Asian Americans and Immigration Reform, in partnership with several other organizations such as the South Asian American Leaders for Tomorrow and Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center sponsored. The event drew a mixed crowd of Asian Americans from all communities that packed the auditorium of the Montgomery County Council Office Building.

Michael Lin, a former OCA-DC chapter president and OCA national president, and Ginny Gong, current national president of OCA, both spoke at the event. A panel of experts on the subject of immigration discussed what the current debate on immigration reform was all about, how it impacts the Asian Americans, and why we should care and participate in the debate.

For years, OCA national has been at the forefront of supporting a comprehensive immigration reform, urging the Congress to take a humane approach that will end the gridlocks, help the families reunite and protect our national security and economic interests. Thanks to many advocacy organizations like OCA, we as a nation is taking a more proactive approach to the immigration issue and moving toward a long-term solution on an issue that the majority in our community can relate to as immigrants.



### Zheng Family Update

It has been six months since the murder of Xianjuan Zheng. On the evening of September 22, 2005, as Xianjuan and her brother were waiting for their father to finish up the night working as a cook at a Chinese takeout in Chillum, two men approached Xianjuan and shot her in the head. She died in the ambulance on her way to the hospital. This terrible crime devastated the Zheng family and shocked the community. Xianjuan was 18 years old and a bright student ready to attend college.

After hearing of this tragedy, OCA-DC, together with several local Chinese American organizations, helped the Zheng family by raising funds to help tide them over financially. We collected a total of \$5,171 from our members. We also helped expedite the Permanent Residence application for the family. The wife and the son have just received their "green-card," but the father will not receive his for several more months.

OCA-DC continues to work with organizations to help solve this heinous crime. If you have any information, please call the Prince George County Police Department's Homicide Unit at 301-772-4925 or Crime Solvers at

1-866-441-8477, and refer to the case number 05-262-1594. There is a \$25,000 award for information leading to the arrest and indictment of the murderer. (Contributed by David Yao)

### Testimony on the Asian Lunar New Year Bill

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accepted and embraced for who they are.

As countries like China and Vietnam become increasingly important economic partners with our country, it is critical that we prepare our people, not just technologically, but also culturally, to compete in the 21st century.

So why do we need a LNY Day when we already have the Asian American Heritage Month? The answer is that the Asian American Heritage Month is an institutional celebration parallel to the Black History Month and the Hispanic Heritage Month. It was created by institutions and celebrated by institutions. In fact, many Asian Americans do not personally identify with that month just like many black Americans do not celebrate Kwanza. The Lunar New Year Day, however, is a millennia-long tradition that is deeply engrained into our heart and soul. It is not bestowed upon us by any political institutions. It is part of who we are as people.

Thank you for listening to our community's voice and I urge you to vote favorably on the bill.

## Meet the Board Members



Lily Qi

### Lily Qi, President

Born and raised in Shanghai, China, Lily Qi has been living in North Potomac, MD, for the past eight years. She has been serving on the OCA-DC board for the past three years. She is passionate about public policies, especially civil rights and social justice issues. As president of the chapter, her goal is to bridge the gap between the immigrant community and the native born Asian American communities.

Lily's day job is the Director of Communication and Public Affairs for the District of Columbia Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking.

Lily Qi has professional experience in higher education and economic development. She has an MBA from American University and a Master's in Organizational Communication from Ohio University.



Jim McCallum

### Jim McCallum, Executive Vice President

Jim McCallum is originally from the western United States and Hawaii but he has now lived in the Washington, DC, area for more than 20 years. He has worked with ocean and fisheries issues for most of that time for the University of Washington, the coastal States, the US House of Representatives, and currently for NOAA Fisheries.

Jim was elected to the office of Executive Vice President in 2006. He looks forward to working with the rest of the Board and with the OCA-DC membership at

large to increase our services to the membership and to our member communities in areas such as voter registration, health, education, and general civil rights advocacy. Jim's wife Gale Awaya McCallum is Program Director of the Gates Millennium Scholars/Asian Pacific Islander Americans.

### Margaret Chan, Secretary/VP, Records

A native Californian, Margaret Chan has been a resident of Chevy Chase, MD, since 1980. Margaret is currently the Special Assistant to the Special Inspector General for "Katrina" Recovery, Office of the Inspector General, U.S. Department of Homeland Security. She holds a BA in Bacteriology from UC, Berkeley, a MA in Economics from UC, Santa Barbara, and a second MA in International Commerce and Policy from George Mason University. She is a self-described workaholic and is active in her church and several community based Boards and Associations. She is inspired by the enthusiasm and commitment of fellow OCA Board members, long time OCA members, and our socially-conscious and active youth.

### Carol Lau, VP, At-Large

Carol Lau is currently working in a Telecommunication company as a senior accountant. Her specialty is working with Revenue and General Ledger accounting. She has been a licensed CPA since 1996. Other than accounting, she enjoys a wide range of interests, such as knitting, crocheting, printing, travel, jewelry

making, bridge, Tai-Chi... etc. OCA'S visions and mission are the main reasons that she joined the OCA-DC board.

### Chuen-Yen Lau, VP, Education and Culture

Among her responsibilities in this position, Chuen-Yen Lau will facilitate OCA's support of the Asian American Health Initiative and work closely with the Asian American Hepatitis B Project to improve Hepatitis B testing and vaccination rates amongst Asians. She will also work towards realization of cultural awareness activities, such as Theatre Café with Montgomery College.

Chuen-Yen joined the OCA-DC board in 2004, when she moved to Bethesda, MD, from Los Angeles CA. She currently works on HIV vaccine development at the National Institutes of Health. She has pet iguana and enjoys playing Scrabble.

### Audrey Lee, VP, Membership Services

Audrey Lee currently serves on the boards of OCA-DC (VP, Membership) and OCAW-MD (Secretary), and is a member of the Conference of Asian Pacific Leadership (CAPAL) and the Asian American Government Executive Network (AAGEN). Ms. Lee has participated in various APABA initiatives including APABA-DC's Practicing Attorneys Resources Committee and OCA-DC Hepatitis-B awareness clinic. In addition, she has volunteered at AALEAD and contributed to



Margaret Chan



Carol Lau



Chuen-Yen Lau

## Meet the Board Members (Continued)

fundraising efforts for APIA Vote.

As the new VP of Membership, Ms. Lee believes that an organization is only as strong as its membership, and she is working on programs to build the Chapter's membership and to further OCA's goals of promoting civic participation, education and leadership.

### **Lisa Lee, VP, Community Relations**

Lisa is an atypical American Born Chinese (ABC) Southern Belle having grown up in North Carolina most of her life and has lived in New York, Tennessee, and Missouri. She works for Montgomery County Government at the Upcounty Regional Services Center, an outreach office of the County Executive, as a Program Manager/Community Liaison. Lisa has been passionate about giving back to the community through volunteer service on several boards of community advocacy, civil rights, social services, and educational organizations. She also serves as the Vice President for Public Affairs for the Chinese Culture and Community Services Center (CCACC) and as a volunteer Mandarin Chinese translator for the Montgomery County Language Bank. Lisa holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Management and is completing a Masters Degree in Strategic Organizational Development and Human Resources at Johns Hopkins University. She currently resides in Germantown, MD and enjoys traveling, cultural, and culinary arts.

### **Dawn Li, Ph.D., VP, Communications**

Dawn Li will serve as VP of Communication. With her expertise in communication and technology, she will work to enable user-friendly and cost-effective technical tools to facilitate efficient member exchange and to engage in outreach activities.

Dawn Li has lived in the Greater DC area for 16 years. She co-owns a small IT consulting business. Dawn holds Ph.D. in American Literature and MS in Management of Information Systems from George Washington University in Washington, DC. Before coming to the US, Dawn studied and taught English at Peking University.

### **Francis Ng, VP, At-Large**

Francis was born in Hong Kong, and came to the United States 30 years ago, currently residing at Pottomac in Maryland. He is an economist at the World Bank, working on policy research projects for developing countries, focusing on trade policy reforms, trade and development, poverty, and other international trade issues. He joined OCA because OCA has been at the forefront of protecting civil rights and expanding political influence and community services. He believes we need to integrate Pan Asian immigrants into the mainstream activities and programs by building bonds of common interest with others. We can share knowledge and experience that may lead to personal enrichment, professional

development, strengthened family value, and improved quality of life.

### **Wuiping Yap, VP, Programs**

Born and raised in Malaysia, Wuiping Yap has been in the Metropolitan DC area for the past 5 years. She has been actively involved in cultural affairs since her arrival in the area. Wuiping co-founded Sutera Malaysia, a Malaysian cultural dance group; produced Dance Asia (An Annual Asian Dance Showcase) since 2004; organized the Asian Fortune Tsunami Fundraising effort; and has recently founded a new organization (Asia Heritage Foundation) that produced the month-long Fiesta Asia to promote awareness on Asian Heritage and Arts. She also serves on the Arlington County Multicultural Affairs Commission.

Wuiping works as an international trade consultant that focuses on facilitating China-US trade exchanges and cultural understanding in the commercial arena. She had lead many trade missions from the U.S. steel industry to China. Her M.A. is in International Relations & Political Science.

### **More Board Members/ Volunteers**

Asuntha Chiang-Smith, VP, At-Large

Dave Harker, Webmaster

David Lin, Student Liaison, AASU Student

Stan Lou, Active Member

Phil Peng, Treasurer

Tom Tsai, Chinese Editor

Phil Zhong, VP. Development



Audrey Lee



Lisa Lee



Dawn Li



Francis Ng



Wuiping Yap

## OCA National Updates



### Building Campaign—The OCA National Center for Asian Pacific American Leadership

Many of our chapter members and board members have donated to the OCA Building Campaign, a vision that will lead to a permanent home, called the OCA National Center for Asian Pacific American Leadership, at a prestigious address in downtown Washington, DC near Dupont Circle. We urge more of our members to come forward and help make this vision a reality.

As a national voice for Asian Americans, OCA deserves a home at the nation's capital. So many people have worked hard to make this goal a reality, and we're finally getting very close.

The current National Center Campaign's Vice Chair George Cha personally contributed \$1 million and knocked on countless doors of banks and potential donors. National president Ginny Gong and past president Michael Lin, who are also local chapter members, have made significant personal contributions in addition to tirelessly contacting and persuading donors. These are all volunteers who did it out of their love, passion and vision for OCA.

At our chapter's annual dinner two years ago, Dr. and Mrs. Chi Wang of McLean, VA, pledged \$100,000 to the building campaign, as a result, the new library in the building will be named after him. You can contribute at whatever level you're comfortable with, and no contribution is too small to

be appreciated. The easiest way to contribute is by visiting

[www.oceanationalcenter.org](http://www.oceanationalcenter.org) and making a pledge for certain amount so you can pay in installments later, i.e. \$500 spread over 12 months. For \$288, you can have a patio tile named after you. Even after the closing date in August, contributions are still needed to maintain a building.

Besides ideological reasons, our chapter has a very pragmatic reason to support the building campaign—we of all chapters, are most likely to benefit from the proximity to the new center and take advantage of the facility for meetings, member gatherings, and even activities. Plus your contribution is tax deductible. Thank you for your continued support.

### OCA's Three Legislative Priorities

At the national level, OCA as a premier Asian Pacific American advocacy organization will be involved in advocacy activities of the following bills, which promise to have significant impact on the APA community:

- *Immigration Reform*

In February 2004, OCA National passed a resolution to support humane immigration reform that takes into account the preservation of national security and the economic well-being of our nation. OCA has received a grant from the New America Opportunity Campaign to participate and advocate for the passage of comprehensive immigration reform

that will family unity and backlog reduction.

- *The Voting Rights Act*

OCA supports and advocates for the renewal of the Voting Rights Act originally signed by President Lyndon Johnson in 1965 during this Congressional session so the law will not expire on August 6, 2007. The Voting Rights Act prohibits discrimination based on race and requires certain jurisdictions to provide bilingual language assistance to minority voters.

- *Hate Crime Prevention Bill (Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act) LLEEA*

Current law limits federal jurisdiction over hate crimes to incidents that occur during the exercise of federally protected activities, such as voting, and does not permit federal involvement in a range of cases involving crimes motivated by bias against the victim's sexual orientation, gender or disability. This loophole is particularly significant given that four states have no hate crime laws and another 21 states have extremely weak hate crime laws.

The hate crime prevention legislation would strengthen existing federal hate crime laws and has repeatedly attracted bipartisan support in both the Senate and the House. OCA supports this bipartisan bill and all efforts to ensure its passing.

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*For more information on OCA National, visit <http://www.oceanatl.org>*

OCA embraces the hopes and aspirations of Asian Pacific Americans. OCA's goals are: to advocate for social justice, equal opportunity and fair treatment; to promote civic participation, education, and leadership; to advance coalitions and community building; and to foster cultural heritage.

## Mark Your Calendar!

### August 10-13, OCA National Convention in Philadelphia

Let's go to Philly! The OCA 2006 national convention will be held in Philadelphia this year from August 10 to 13. Each year, the national convention draws over 1,000 members from the OCA chapters across the country. The 3-day conference offers a range of sessions, workshops, and trainings that not only bring members together, but also help us understand the current issues impacting us and what we can do. From youth leadership training, to national public policy issues, to personal growth and development, the conference promises to be fun and educational.

If many members are going, our chapter may make

some group transportation arrangements. So if you are interested, please contact Audrey Lee, VP of membership, at [audreyklee@hotmail.com](mailto:audreyklee@hotmail.com) or 202-205-1641 (office). We hope to see you (and your family and friends) in Philly! To find out more about the conference, please visit the chapter's Web site at [www.ocadc.org](http://www.ocadc.org). The conference sessions are free, and registration fees cover the costs of banquet, meals, and special events or outings, which you can pick and choose and pay accordingly.

### October 15, OCA-DC Annual Awards Dinner

This is our chapter's signature event of the year, where most of our members come to celebrate ourselves and renew our ties. As this

is the election year in Washington DC and Maryland, where most of our members are, we chose an earlier date than December so many elected officials will likely join us at the event. It is important that as an advocacy organization, we continue to engage those who represent us. We hope you will come early so you can network with the elected officials and the candidates so they may be better connected with our community. If you have suggestions on whom we should honor at this year's awards dinner, or if you or someone you know would like to sponsor, buy a table or half table, please do not hesitate to contact Lily Qi, at 202-442-7820 (office) or [lily.ocadc@yahoo.com](mailto:lily.ocadc@yahoo.com). The event will be held at the New Fortune Restaurant.



### Double Happiness for Lisa Lee

Our long-time board member Lisa Lee is getting married this summer. She got engaged at the beginning of the year. On top of that, she's also going to receive the GM Unsung Hero Award presented at the OCA National Convention this August. Please join us in wishing Lisa the best.

## Welcome New Members

### Stan Lou

Stan retired in 2003 after a successful career as a civil engineer and manager of the airports grants program with the Federal Aviation Administration. Immediately after retirement, he taught English at a university in Jiangxi Province in China for two and a half years. He came to the realization that he owed much of his success and good life to his parents who migrated from Canton to Mississippi in the 1930s. He had always considered himself to be intelligent, but it took a long time to understand the hardships, prejudices, unfair treatment, and sacrifices that his parents and other

Chinese immigrants suffered in order that he and other second generation Chinese Americans could enjoy good lives. He wants to make up for this late awakening by being able to pass on this unique history of our ancestors to Americans, Chinese and non-Chinese. He also wants to work to highlight and prevent injustices against Chinese and other minority races mainly because we are not "WASPs." He feels that OCA has these goals on its agenda, and it is his hope that we can all work together to realize these and other worthwhile goals.

### Daniel and Stephanie Teo

Daniel and Stephanie are originally from Singapore. They have lived in the US for over 10 years. Daniel is a seasoned Finance (M&A) and Strategic Planning professional. He has worked with energy giant BP. He is currently a Managing Partner for a boutique international consulting firm. Stephanie is a marketing and financial professional with over 15 years of working experience with MNCs such as HP, DuPont and Intelsat. She is currently with UBS Financial Services.

Daniel is an alumnus of Cambridge University (UK) and the Stanford Business

School, and Stephanie is an alumna of the Curtin University (Australia), and Johns Hopkins University.

We have two kids, Ethan and Audrey. Ethan is 7-year old and is currently attending Norwood School in Potomac. Audrey will be turning two in June this year and is excited about joining the St. Francis Episcopal Day School this fall.

Due to Daniel's career, our family has lived in different parts of the world during the past 15 years including Singapore, San Francisco, London, Maryland and Beijing. I can be reached at [wwsgteo@yahoo.com](mailto:wwsgteo@yahoo.com).

A Quarterly Newsletter from OCA,  
Greater Washington DC Chapter

**Join or Renew OCA-DC Membership!**

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Mail your completed form and check to: OCA-DC, P.O. Box 34943, Bethesda, MD 20827

**About OCA - Greater Washington DC Chapter**

Founded in 1973, the Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA) is a national non-profit, non-partisan advocacy organization of Americans of Chinese and Asian/Pacific Islander descent. With a national office in Washington, D.C. and over 80 chapters and affiliates across the nation, OCA is dedicated to advancing the social, political, and economic well-being of Asian Pacific Americans in the United States.

For more information, please visit our website at [www.ocadc.org](http://www.ocadc.org).

OCA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Contributions are tax deductible to the extent permitted by law.



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