

RECOGNIZING MR. JACK CHAN AS THE U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION'S MINORITY CHAMPION OF THE YEAR FOR 2010

HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 27, 2010

Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Jack Chan for his leadership and advocacy in support of minority small business owners. Mr. Chan is the Vice President of Kwong Hwa Trading Co. and is the U.S. Small Business Administration's "Minority Champion of the Year" for 2010.

Jack was born in Hong Kong in 1972 to Ping Chan and King Ng. He attended elementary school in Hong Kong before relocating with his parents and five siblings to Guam in 1985. He attended John F. Kennedy High School and completed a one year Tourism Vocational Program at Guam Community College during his final year of high school. Jack continued his educational pursuits at the University of Guam, graduating with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration in Marketing in 1997 while helping to maintain his family's business and working at a local tour agency.

Jack serves as Vice President of Kwong Hwa Trading, and under his leadership, the company continues to work closely with other businesses, suppliers and local government agencies and non-profit organizations to support the local community.

Jack's hard work, dedication and industrious nature have earned him the respect of business leaders in our community and in the western Pacific region. His efforts on the Board of Directors of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Guam (CCCG) have made a difference in the participation of other minority business owners and associates as CCCG members. A CCCG Member since the organization's inception, Jack is actively involved in its annual events and activities. Jack's participation in CCCG has helped to raise support and awareness for local organizations such as the Big Brothers and Big Sisters Club of Guam and the American Red Cross Guam Chapter.

It is on the occasion of his recognition by the U.S. Small Business Administration as Minority Champion of the Year for 2010, that I join the people of Guam to acknowledge his service and outstanding leadership in our community.

RECOGNIZING MR. ARTHUR F. MESA AS VETERAN SMALL BUSINESS CHAMPION OF THE YEAR FOR 2010

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Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Arthur F. Mesa for his years of civic engagement, leadership and advocacy for Guam's veterans. Mr. Mesa, known to his family and friends as "Art," is Editor and Publisher of the Guam Veterans News, host of K-57's radio show, "Vet Talk," and was re-

cently named the U.S. Small Business Administration's "Veteran Small Business Champion of the Year for 2010."

Art served in the Vietnam War from 1970 to 1971 as a member of the U.S. Army's 101st Airborne Division. He is a 35-year resident of Guam. Following his service in the U.S. Army, Art worked in sales and in 1985, founded Independent Trading Company trading food products, appliances, and construction materials from the mainland to Guam and Micronesia. From 1989 to 1996, Art opened and operated Eagle Freight Services—which provided air freight services through five offices from Guam to the Midwest United States. From 1999 to 2006, Art co-founded and managed Auto Services 2000.

Art has become a prominent figure in our community and serves as a Board Member for the Pacific Island Microcredit Institute, an organization that provides microloans to veterans and individuals at poverty level seeking self sufficiency and business opportunities. A strong and dynamic advocate for Guam's veterans' community, Art volunteers his time to educate veterans on a variety of issues including programs, benefits, health care, legal rights and national representation.

Art's involvement in the veteran community has been recognized by various organizations. Art served as the Master of Ceremonies for Guam's Annual Veterans Day Memorial Program in 2009 and was a recipient of the Rotary Club of Tumon Bay's "Service Above Self Award" for his commitment to our island's veterans. An avid motorcycle rider, Art is a member of the Guam Veterans Harley Davidson Organization, which provides motorcade escorts for funerals of fallen soldiers and conducts other philanthropic activities such as distributing holiday treats to children on Guam during their annual Christmas motorcades.

It is on the occasion of his recognition by the U.S. Small Business Administration as their Veteran Small Business Champion of the Year for 2010, that I join the people of Guam to acknowledge him for his service and his commitment to our veteran community.

CONGRATULATING THE ARCADIA HIGH SCHOOL CONSTITUTION TEAM

HON. DAVID DREIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DREIER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Arcadia High School, AHS, Constitution Team on their first place finish in the 23rd annual "We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution," contest which was held in Washington, DC this past weekend and concluded Monday evening.

The AHS team represented the entire state of California in the competition, which tests students' knowledge of the U.S. Constitution, the Bill of Rights and American democracy. After spending time with this outstanding group of students last week, I was confident they would take their knowledge of and dedication to learning about the Constitution and turn it into a great win for Arcadia and California.

After winning local and state competitions, these students proved themselves champions at the final competition here in our nation's

capital. The City of Arcadia and the entire San Gabriel Valley should be very proud of these outstanding students.

On Monday, after three days of simulated congressional hearings testing the students' knowledge of constitutional principles, which were judged by a panel of constitutional scholars, lawyers, journalists and government leaders, the AHS team was announced the winners of this year's competition.

I believe very firmly in the tremendous importance of understanding our history and the principles on which our nation was founded. These students should be commended for their mastery of our founding documents and the words of our founding fathers, and I enthusiastically congratulate them on their success.

The AHS Constitution Team's victory is a testament not just to the hard work and dedication of these students, but also the guidance and commitment of their teacher Kevin Fox and coaches Gary Kovacic, Jim Romo, Bob Garrett and Karyn McCreary.

The members of the AHS Constitution Team are: Robel Abdella, Wini Addanki, Pallavi Bugga, Madyson Cassidy, Andrew Chang, Winston Chang, Greg Chen, Ruodi Duan, Daphne Fan, Kathy Garcia, Jamie Griswold, Derek Ha, Jennifer Hang, Lauren Hanna, Frank Huang, Rayla Hylbom, Michael Kallin, Amanda Kallis, Jesse Li, Andrew Lin, Sangavi Pari, Tim Semenov, Joanna Shen, Kiko Sunata, Bonnie Tam, Andrew Taylor, Catharine Tong and Shen Wang.

RECOGNIZING MS. LINDA TUNG AS THE U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION'S WOMEN IN BUSINESS CHAMPION OF THE YEAR FOR 2010

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Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Linda Tung for her entrepreneurial leadership and mentorship in the women's business community on Guam. Ms. Tung is the President and Founder of GIT International Tours and was recently named the U.S. Small Business Administration's Women in Business Champion of the Year for 2010.

Linda was born and raised in Taiwan and is fluent in English, Japanese, Mandarin Chinese and Taiwanese. Following her graduation from high school in 1966, she began working for a number of leading in-bound travel agencies in Taipei.

Linda married Dr. Frank C. Tung in 1976 and after traveling throughout the United States for educational opportunities, the couple settled on Guam in 1985. Since that time, Linda served as Guam Operations Manager of Japan Travel Land and established GIT International Tours, Inc. Since its inception, GIT Tours has successfully provided various services to more than 320,000 visitors from Taiwan (R.O.C.), Hong Kong, Shanghai, Beijing, Honcho, Liaoning and the Philippines.

Linda's thirty years of experience have proved invaluable as Chairwoman of the Tourism Committee of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Guam. She works in partnership with members of the Guam Visitors Bureau,

the Office of the Governor of Guam, Government of Guam agencies, Guam Hotel & Restaurant Association, Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Guam and United Chinese Association of Guam, as well as numerous agencies in the Asia-Pacific region to promote Guam as a premier, family-oriented tourist destination in the Western Pacific.

Linda often volunteers to help aspiring entrepreneurs on Guam. In addition, Linda has created opportunities for her female employees to engage in in-house cross-training to develop their leadership skills and expertise in all facets of the tour business. A number of her former female employees have continued to pursue their education and other career opportunities and are now recognized as leaders in their respective communities. As a mentor for women in the business community, Linda is a sounding board and colleague for many women seeking to emulate her success.

It is on the occasion of her recognition by the U.S. Small Business Administration as their Women in Business Champion of the Year for 2010, that I join the people of Guam to acknowledge her service and outstanding leadership in our business community.

RECOGNIZING MR. FONG S. WU AS
THE U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION'S PERSON OF THE
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Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Fong S. Wu for his years of community involvement and service on Guam. Mr. Wu is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Sunny Plastic (Guam) Inc. and Pacific Sunny Group of Companies. He was recently named the U.S. Small Business Administration's "Person of the Year" for 2010.

Fong is currently the Managing Partner and Chief Executive Officer of LTA, LLC., and is responsible for corporate planning and the operation of Ladera Towers, a luxury hotel/condominium. He is also Managing Partner and Chief Executive Officer of PacSun Investments, responsible for all strategic initiatives of its real estate investment projects. In addition, Fong is Managing Partner of Pago Bay Resort, LLC.

Raised on the island of Guam, Fong is a valuable member of our community and is an officer and founding member of Guam's Chinese Chamber of Commerce. He has also served as the Chairman for the Guam Chinese School Foundation, President of the Chinese School Board of Guam and President and member of the Board of the United Chinese Association of Guam. Fong has held public office as Secretary and member of the Board of Directors for the Guam Economic Development Authority, as well as the Overseas Compatriot Affairs Commissioner of the Republic of China. He was appointed by Governor Felix Camacho of Guam as an Ambassador of Goodwill to foster better economic ties between Guam and Taiwan.

Fong strives for excellence in business and in all aspects of life. He has taken a leadership role in fundraising, contributing time and energy towards various non-profit and community organizations. His service spans a wide range of organizations including the American Red Cross, Make a Wish Foundation, Fo Guan Shan Temple, University of Guam Endowment Foundation, University of Guam Board of Regents, Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteer Association, Guam Hotel & Restaurant Association, Guam Visitors Bureau, Filipino Community of Guam, Korean Ladies' Association of Guam, Rotary of Guam Sunrise, International Women's Club of Guam, and the Guam Society of America among others.

It is on the occasion of his recognition by the U.S. Small Business Administration as Person of the Year for 2010, that I join the people of Guam to acknowledge him for his commendable service and leadership in our community.

RECOGNIZING MR. KEVEN
CAMACHO AS THE U.S. SMALL
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION'S FINANCIAL SERVICES CHAMPION
OF THE YEAR FOR 2010

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Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Keven Camacho for his community engagement, support, and assistance for small business owners on Guam. As

the Vice President/Northern Regional Manager for the Bank of Guam, Mr. Camacho was recently named the Guam Small Business Administration's Financial Services Champion of the Year for 2010.

Keven earned his degree in Finance from Arizona State University in 1996 and soon began his career as a Management Trainee with the Bank of Guam. In 1997, Keven was promoted to Credits Officer, specializing in consumer loans and real estate. Continuing his advancement with the Bank of Guam, he was promoted as Branch Manager of their Tumon, Belau and Mangilao Branches. He later graduated in 2003 from the Pacific Coast Banking School at the University of Washington, completing an intensive two-year Masters-level extension program for senior officers in the banking industry. Additionally, Keven received his Masters in Business Administration from the University of Guam in 2006.

In his current role, Keven assists small businesses in our community in identifying opportunities for growth. Over his 13-year career with the Bank of Guam, Keven's hard work and dedication have helped to advance the interests of small businesses on Guam.

Keven uses his education and years of experience to serve our community by providing assistance with the grant funded Guam Options for Alternative Loans for Assistive Technology (GOAL-AT) and Get Guam Teleworking (GGT) programs. These programs provide loans to individuals with disabilities to assist them with starting home-based businesses. Keven not only provides technical assistance to these organizations but assists in outreach and presentations to various disability and senior citizen events, educating them about these programs, resources and the loan process. Keven also serves on the board of the Felix M. Camacho and Carlos G. Camacho Scholarship, a non-profit organization that offers up to four \$1,000 scholarships annually to qualified participants. Keven's business background, professional advocacy, and his outstanding spirit of community, are, and will continue to be, valuable assets to our island community.

It is on the occasion of his recognition by the U.S. Small Business Administration as Financial Services Champion of the Year for 2010, that I join the people of Guam in acknowledging his service and outstanding leadership in our community.