

The Departments of Public Welfare, Health and Labor & Industry
are pleased to present a celebration of



Asian & Pacific Islander History Month

"Striving for Excellence in Leadership,
Diversity, and Inclusion."

Lobby of the
Health & Welfare Building

May 24, 2012
Noon - 1:15 p.m.

Keynote Speaker

Truong Ngoc Phuong
Executive Director,
International Service Center



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Tom Corbett, Governor

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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



Governor's Office

PROCLAMATION

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH
May 2012

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is home to more than 300,000 citizens who trace their roots to Asia and the Pacific Islands; and

WHEREAS, the Asian Pacific American community represents a vital dimension of our commonwealth's diverse ethnic and social community. Their innumerable contributions throughout the history of our commonwealth have enriched our society through their diverse languages, cultures and religious beliefs; and

WHEREAS, through their love of family, community and hard work, they have helped to uphold the founding principles of our commonwealth for generations. Asian Pacific American entrepreneurs help to strengthen our economy and our communities through their hard work and ingenuity, and they inspire a new generation of American innovation through their example; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania, through representatives from all of the major Asian Pacific American communities, continues to address the needs and concerns of the community and remains committed to a proactive stance that seeks solutions to problems such as prejudice, discrimination and violence.

THEREFORE, In recognition of the many contributions and achievements of our commonwealth's Asian Pacific Americans, I, Tom Corbett, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim May 2012, as ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH in Pennsylvania.

GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, on this twenty-eighth day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and twelve, and of the Commonwealth the two hundred and thirty-sixth.



Tom Corbett
TOM CORBETT
Governor

Program

Wesley Alexander <i>Department of Public Welfare</i>	Greeting
Lily Chang	Vocal Selection
David Chu <i>Department of Public Welfare</i>	Reading of the Governor's Proclamation
Suco Yeh	Modeling Traditional Dress Attire
Dr. Hector Ortiz <i>Department of Health</i>	Introduction of Keynote Speaker
Truong Ngoc Phuong <i>Executive Director, International Service Center</i>	Keynote Speaker
Chinese Cultural & Arts Institute	Performance
Lily Chang	Vocal Selection
Wesley Alexander	Acknowledgements
Light Refreshments	



The characters depicted in the tea pot, cup and tray on the front cover stand for "longevity."