

WASHINGTON, DC – Today, the Democratic Caucus approved Speaker Nancy Pelosi’s appointment of Rep. Doris Matsui (CA-05) to the Energy and Commerce Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives. Rep. Matsui is a member of the Executive Board of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus (CAPAC).

The Energy and Commerce Committee has jurisdiction over a vast amount of issues, ranging from national policy on health care and energy, to interstate and foreign commerce and consumer safety.

“I congratulate Congresswoman Doris Matsui on her new post at the Energy and Commerce Committee,” said Rep. Mike Honda (CA-15), chair of CAPAC. “I look forward to working with her on a variety of issues important to the Asian American and Pacific Islander community and to all Americans, particularly passage of the Tri-Caucus health disparities legislation, the Health Equity and Accountability Act.”

“I believe that I can best serve my constituents and the American people by directly participating in crafting legislation that falls under the jurisdiction of the Energy and Commerce Committee,” said Rep. Matsui. “The priorities of the people of my district and the challenges they face will be addressed in the Committee, and I look forward to bringing a strong voice for them, northern California, and all of the diverse communities across the country.”

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The Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus (CAPAC) is a bicameral and bipartisan caucus of Members of Congress of Asian and Pacific Islander descent and Members who have a strong dedication to promoting the well-being of the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community. Founded in 1994 by then Congressman Norman Mineta, and currently chaired by Congressman Michael Honda, CAPAC has been addressing the needs of the AAPI

community in all areas of American life. For more information on CAPAC, please call (202) 225-2631 or visit <http://www.honda.house.gov/capac> .