WASHINGTON, DC – Today, Congressman Mike Honda (CA-15), Chair of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus offered the following statement:

"On behalf of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus (CAPAC), I express my profound sympathy to the campus community of Virginia Tech University for the tragic murders that occurred yesterday. We offer our prayers to the students, their families, the faculty, and the staff at Virginia Tech.

"As the campus community joins together to mourn and rebuild, CAPAC will stand together with all Members of Congress and our community leaders to find ways to prevent future incidents and to offer support and resources to the Virginia Tech community."

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