

SENATE RESOLUTION

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By Senators Hasegawa and Nguyen

1 WHEREAS, Asian Pacific Americans have played a rich role in the
2 history and cultural development of Washington for more than one
3 hundred fifty years; and

4 WHEREAS, About 760,760 residents of Washington are of Asian and
5 Pacific Islander descent; and

6 WHEREAS, Asian Pacific Americans have contributed significantly
7 to the development of the arts, sciences, government, military,
8 commerce, and education of Washington; and

9 WHEREAS, Asian Pacific Americans have made personal sacrifices
10 that have advanced the cause of civil rights and equal opportunity
11 for all residents of Washington; and

12 WHEREAS, On February 26, 1974, the 43rd Washington State
13 Legislature formally created the agency that would become the
14 Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs (CAPAA); and

15 WHEREAS, CAPAA has since worked to improve the well-being of
16 Asian Pacific Americans by identifying and examining issues impacting
17 their community, ensuring their access to participation in government
18 services, and advising the governor, state agencies, and the state
19 legislature on laws and programs impacting them; and

20 WHEREAS, This year, the Commission will celebrate its 45th
21 anniversary with an event on April 13, 2019;

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate
23 encourage all Washington residents to join us in observing the

1 Sapphire Anniversary of the Washington State Commission on Asian
2 Pacific American Affairs; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
4 immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the
5 Washington State Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs.

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