



Congresswoman Nydia M. Velázquez
Representative, New York's 7th Congressional District

Dear Friends:

Congratulations to the United States Pan Asian American Chamber of Commerce on your 40th Anniversary and this year's CelebrASIAN Business + Procurement Conference.

For four decades, USPAACC has worked to lift up Pan Asian American entrepreneurs and small business owners. Your efforts have helped open doors, expand opportunities, and strengthen communities. Today, thanks to your work, more small businesses have access to the tools they need to succeed.

Pan Asian American-owned businesses are a driving force in our economy. They create jobs, fuel innovation, and enrich our communities. But even with all the progress, too many still face barriers to growth. As Ranking Member of the House Small Business Committee, I am focused on making sure every small business has a fair shot. That means expanding access to capital, opening up contracting opportunities, and making sure business owners can get the training and support they need.

I also want to recognize USPAACC President and CEO Susan Au Allen for her leadership. Forty years ago, she saw a need that wasn't being met and stepped up to build something lasting. What began as one person's vision is now a national organization with a powerful track record of results.

Thank you to everyone at USPAACC for the work you do to support small businesses across the country. I wish you a successful conference and continued success in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Nydia M. Velázquez". The signature is stylized and fluid.

Nydia M. Velázquez
Member of Congress