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History and Mission Highlight C.A.C.A. Engagements for Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

San Francisco, May 1, 2018 — May is Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month (APAHM) and the Chinese American Citizens Alliance (C.A.C.A.) recognizes significant milestones, initiatives and participation in major events that pay tribute to the contributions of Asian Americans in the building of the United States.

On May 9-11, the Golden Spike Conference in Salt Lake City will offer programs and activities that are centered on the contributions of Chinese and Chinese Americans in the construction of the U.S. Transcontinental Railroad. An event highlight will be a group pilgrimage to Promontory Summit and the Golden Spike National Historic Site to witness and participate in the Golden Spike Reenactment. The Golden Spike Conference is organized by the Chinese Railroad Workers Descendants Association. C.A.C.A. National is a 2018 and 2019 Community Partner and will have representatives present. For information, visit www.goldenspike150.org.

On May 14, the 1882 Foundation Annual Symposium will take place at the I Street Conferencing Center in Washington, D.C. The Foundation seeks to broaden public awareness of the history and continuing significance of the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882. Members of C.A.C.A. National are scheduled to lead a panel on heritage tourism and preservation trends. For information, visit www.1882foundation.org

From May 14 – 17, C.A.C.A. representatives will travel to Washington D.C. for our Annual Legislative Education trip. Alliance representatives will visit Congressional representatives to present and highlight issues and positions on legislation and policies. This year's delegation will be seeking to strengthen congressional support for passage of the bills (HR.2358 and S.1050) to award the Congressional Gold Medal to the Chinese American Veterans of WWII before the end of the 115th Session of Congress. The Congressional Gold Medal is one of the nation's highest civilian awards bestowed by Congress for distinguished achievements and contributions by individuals, groups or institutions. For information, visit www.caww2.org

“From building the U.S. Transcontinental Railroad to serving in the armed forces, Chinese Americans immigrants and citizens have made invaluable contributions to our country,” says C.A.C.A. National President Davace Chin. “Recognition remains an ongoing effort but the history of our community demonstrates how we can overcome the challenges we face through hope and resolve. Our efforts reaffirm the legacy of a people who are inspired by faith in American justice.”

To learn about heritage celebrations and events by local and regional C.A.C.A. Chapters, visit www.cacanational.org/htmlPages/local_lodges_landing.html for their contact information.



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The Chinese American Citizens Alliance, established in 1895, is among the oldest civil rights organizations in the United States. Headquartered in San Francisco with chapter/lodges in Albuquerque (NM), Boston (MA), Chicago (IL), Greater San Gabriel Valley (CA), Greater New York (NY), Houston (TX), Las Vegas (NV), Los Angeles (CA), Mississippi, Oakland (CA), Peninsula (CA), Portland (OR), Phoenix (AZ), Salinas (CA), San Antonio (TX), San Francisco (CA), Seattle (WA) and Washington, D.C., the Alliance addresses issues regarding voter education, political participation, racial discrimination and hate crimes, and supports youth leadership training programs and equal employment opportunities for all Chinese Americans.