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## **Chinese American Citizens Alliance Observes the 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Attacks of September 11 and Remembers Their Victims**

San Francisco, September 11, 2017—On the morning of Tuesday, September 11, 2001, terrorists struck the United States, claiming the lives of more than 2,900 people and injuring over 6,000 others. Coordinated assaults from hijacked passenger jets collapsed the World Trade Center Twin Towers in New York City and damaged the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. United Airlines Flight 93, which had been taken over by terrorists and believed to be targeting the United States Capitol Building in Washington, D.C., was derailed by the heroic actions of passengers and crash landed in a field in Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

Today, the Nation's oldest, continuous civil rights and social advocacy organization for American citizens of Chinese ancestry, the Chinese American Citizens Alliance (C.A.C.A.) joins millions of Americans and the world community in observance of the 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of this national tragedy.

“September 11 is a date all Americans will remember where they were on the morning the attacks occurred. Our nation is united in observance as we honor the fallen,” said Davace Chin, C.A.C.A. National President. “Today, our thoughts are with the families of the victims on the airplanes and on the ground, and with the firefighters, police officers, medical emergency personnel and ordinary citizens whose demonstration of courage and sacrifice continues to lift up our spirits in the country's darkest moments.”

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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, youth leadership training programs and equal employment opportunities for all Chinese Americans.