U.S. REPRESENTATIVE



Dear Friend,

Happy Friday! I'm heading back home to California's 39th District this weekend after a busy week in Congress. Here are the highlights:

Helping Our Small Businesses During COVID



My first bill <u>passed</u> the House! The House passed my bipartisan bill this week to extend the deadline for small businesses to apply for a Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan from March 31 to May 31, 2021 and give the SBA 30 more days to process applications.

Our small businesses are hurting during COVID-19, and Biden Administration announced changes to the program on Feb. 22, leaving many small businesses unable to adjust to the changes before the March 31 deadline. The Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) has been a lifeline for our small businesses during COVID-19, and my bill would allow small businesses more time to receive relief they need to keep their doors open and employees on payroll. With nearly 40,000 small businesses closing in our state alone this year and half of those closures being permanent, I am committed to helping our small businesses keep their doors open as we work to safely reopen our communities.

Supporting the Asian American & Pacific Islander Community



I <u>testified</u> before the House Judiciary Committee in support of the AAPI community. Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, more than 3,000 hate crimes have been committed against the Asian American and Pacific Islander community, many targeted at seniors.

No racial or ethnic group in our country is responsible for the COVID-19 pandemic. The virus does not discriminate – it affects everyone. We must come together as Americans to fight against COVID-19 and the rise of hate and discrimination.

Virtual Town Hall on Small Business Resources During COVID-19



On Wednesday, I hosted a virtual town hall on resources available to small businesses during COVID-19. I was joined by representatives from the SBA, U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the California Small Business Development Center (SBDC).

We answered questions from small business owners and employees on what resources are available to them and discussed PPP and Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL), the Shuttered Venue Grant, Employee Retention Tax Credit, California Relief Grant, and the State Trade Expansion Program (STEP).

If you were unable to join us, you can watch the full conversation HERE.

Strengthening U.S. Foreign Policy in Africa & Asia



It was a busy week for the Foreign Affairs Committee. On Wednesday, I questioned witnesses on the status of COVID-19 in Africa and how the U.S. can ensure the aid we provide for vaccines is used effectively. I also asked witnesses about the status of food insecurity in the region and how the U.S. and private organizations can allocate resources to help the estimated 270 million people suffering from food insecurity and hunger. You can watch my questions HERE.

Today, the Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, Central Asia and Nonproliferation held its first meeting. I am honored to serve on this subcommittee as Vice Ranking Member. Few areas of the world are as important to U.S. national security and foreign policy as Asia, and the actions we take today will chart the course of the region for decades to come. During our hearing, I discussed the importance of the U.S. taking the lead to work with our partners in Asia to create a united, multilateral front to support efforts to restore democracy in Myanmar. I also asked how we can improve civil and human rights in the Philippines and Cambodia to. Watch the full conversation HERE.

Creating a Stable Power Grid for the 21st Century



The Science, Space and Technology Committee met to discuss how the U.S. can upgrade the security, efficiency and resiliency of our nation's power grids. I asked about how we can ensure affordable and reliable energy by using new technologies and how we can use a wide variety of energy sources to meet our growing needs. Learn more HERE.

Celebrating Women's History Month



March is Women's History Month! Join me as we celebrate the women leaders around the world who are making a difference in their communities, remember the generations of women who paved the way for us to have a seat at the table and empower young women and girls to speak up and get involved.

Follow along on my social media @RepYoungKim as we highlight a few of the amazing women across the nation who are blazing trails for future generations.

Congressional Art Competition



Calling all CA-39 young artists! All high school students are invited to participate in the 2021 Congressional Art Competition for a chance to have their work displayed in the U.S. Capitol for one year. **The deadline is Monday, April 26, 2021 at 5pm PT**. Visit my website HERE to learn more.

COVID-19

I am committed to helping California's 39th District get through the COVID-19 pandemic better than before. As we work to safely reopen communities and get people back to work, I will do all that I can to make sure my constituents receive the relief you deserve.

Vaccines are currently available for CA-39 residents ages 65+.

- Click <u>HERE</u> to make an appointment in Orange County.
- Click <u>HERE</u> to make an appointment in Los Angeles County.
- Click <u>HERE</u> to make an appointment in San Bernardino County.
- Click **HERE** to learn more about our state's vaccination plan.

Find a full list of COVID-19 resources <u>HERE</u>.

Casework

Need help with a federal agency, like Small Business or the VA? My team and I are here to help. Submit a casework request <u>HERE</u> and find our privacy release form for casework HERE.

My team and I are here to serve you. As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to my office with any questions or concerns. I encourage you to follow me on social media on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram at @RepYoungKim.

Sincerely,

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