

When Jesse Jackson Wins... Asians and Pacific Islanders Win

A Message for fellow Asians and Pacific Islanders:

In 1882, the Chinese Exclusion Law... In the 1930s, Filipinos lynched by angry mobs in California... In 1942, Japanese Americans interned...

And now in 1988... New attempts to deny reunification of immigrant families... Southeast Asian harassed, assaulted, and murdered... and English-only laws now threatening all bilingual services.

For Asian and Pacific Islanders in the U.S., institutional racism is a recurring nightmare. We are brought in as cheap labor, then blamed for taking away jobs. We are labeled the "model minority," then denied entry on every level from major universities to Wall Street.

The problem is our lack of political power and involvement. Too often, candidates for President and every other office come to our communities for money, but never address our concerns. Until we elect persons from our own communities and others committed to empowering us, we will continue to see these incidences of institutional racism against Asian and Pacific Islander.

In 1988, we must make our voices heard... In 1988, we have a presidential candidate who will listen.



"My campaign is open to your ideas and has already involved your thoughts, your ideas, and your beliefs. I didn't just show up today for the first time. We've stood together many times before, in San Francisco Chinatown with Mrs. Chin, still grieving at the loss of her only son... in Little Tokyo right here in Los Angeles, with survivors of the World War II concentration camps, now closer than ever to redress and reparations. I've learned from you and expect to learn much more."

-- Jesse Jackson, speaking at the National Democratic Council of Asian Pacific Americans (NDCAPA) Conference, Los Angeles, October 1987.

A Vote For Jesse Jackson Is A Vote For Our Own Empowerment



For: *An Enlightened Trade Policy*

"[General Electric] advertises in very red, white and blue letters 'Buy America,' and conjures up excessive patriotism and excessive guilt while they close plants in this country... The Taiwanese did not take our jobs. GE took our jobs to Taiwan and there is a fundamental difference..."

Against: *Racial Violence*

"Vincent Chin, a young Chinese American, beaten to death by unemployed white workers with baseball bats--they thought Vincent Chin helped to take their jobs. Vincent Chin did not take any jobs to for-



languages... English-only is against our national interests--it makes us less able to trade and expand."

For: *Redress & Reparations*

"A sign of a nation's greatness is its ability to recognize and rectify historic acts of injustice. Winning passage of redress and

"How can we save our jobs from going abroad? Involve labor rights with human rights in diplomatic relations... If workers in South Korea and Taiwan make liveable wages, they can buy what we produce. And therefore expand our market."



Rev. Jesse Jackson with Mrs. Lily Chin, mother of Vincent Chin.

own labor markets. Neither did he make them buy a Honda or Toyota. Cambodians in Boston burned out of their homes, Senator Inouye being called a 'Jap' during the Iran-Contra hearings in 1987. These vicious acts of racial violence must end."

For: *Immigrant Rights*

"We must have one standard for admitting people to our country that is fair to all. We cannot have one policy for non-white people and another from those from Canada and Europe."

For: *Bilingual Rights*

"It's unfortunate that we, the melting pot nation are fighting for English-only laws and don't appreciate the value to our nation of multi-cultural English-plus

reparations for the 120,000 Japanese Americans imprisoned in U.S. relocation camps during World War II is a step forward in fulfilling the unfinished agenda of justice and equality for all Americans... I call upon President Reagan to heed the voice of Congress and the people and sign this historic legislation."

For: *Empowerment*

"I am committed to appointing Asian and other Pacific Americans to every level of government posts--the Civil Rights Commission, federal judgeships...it's the American way. It's the right thing to do. But we've got to go further than that for empowerment and representation."

"It's time for more Asian American congresspeople and senators and legislators. You don't need a leader, you need empowerment. You can lead yourself!"

As President, Jesse Jackson would:

- *Develop a new U.S. foreign policy through the Jackson doctrine:
 - 1) *Respect international law;*
 - 2) *Support self-determination and human rights; and*
 - 3) *Provide economic development as the alternative to third world tensions.**
- *Reduce the deficit by raising taxes on big business, and cutting the Pentagon's budget and negotiating nuclear weapons reductions without weakening our defense.*
- *Raise the minimum wage to a livable income.*
- *Create jobs by investing public pension funds in housing construction, rebuilding roads and bridges, and cleaning up the environment.*
- *Enact the Equal Rights Amendment.*
- *Double federal spending for education.*

Support Jesse Jackson for President in 1988

More than any other 1988 presidential candidate, Jesse Jackson has demonstrated his commitment to our community by naming Asian Americans to key leadership roles in his 1988 campaign, including his national field coordinator, Eddie Wong and California campaign director, Mike Murase.

Asians and Pacific Islanders can have a direct impact on electing the next president. We need to come together and turn out our various communities, and join with other disenfranchised groups, including women, Blacks, Latinos, labor, students, gays and lesbians, farmers, seniors and peace activists. Jackson is the only candidate who can speak with credibility to the many needs of such a diverse coalition. No other candidate has a history of working closely with each of these groups. And by bringing us together, Jesse Jackson can win and help empower all of us.

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