



Committee of 100

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The Committee of 100 Mourns the Passing of Member Iris Chang

(November 11, 2004—New York)--We at Committee of 100 are deeply grieved by the tragic death of one of our members, Iris Chang, at age 36. She was one of America's most talented historians and writers, chronicling the histories of Chinese both in China and America with fresh and eye-opening perspectives previously unknown to America and much of the world. She left a legacy of three outstanding works, *Thread of the Silkworm*, *The Rape of Nanking*, and *The Chinese in America*. Iris shed light on deeply important aspects of Chinese history, and Chinese American history. She illuminated the past, and pointed a way for all of us.

The Committee of 100 mourns the tragic loss of a member and extends our heartfelt sympathy to her family.

Founded in 1989 by prominent Chinese Americans, the Committee of 100 is an independent, non-partisan, non-profit membership organization composed of Chinese American leaders in a broad range of professions. With their knowledge and experience, they have committed to a dual mission: (1) encouraging stronger relations between the U.S. and Greater China and (2) encouraging the full participation of Chinese Americans in all aspects of American life. For more information, please visit our web site: www.committee100.org.

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