



The Committee of 100 Mourns the Passing of Member John Tsu

(February 28, 2005) -- The Committee of 100 expresses its grief and extends its deepest sympathies to the family of John. B. Tsu, whose death was announced over this past weekend. Dr. Tsu had been a member of the Committee since 1990.

John Tsu was among the prominent Chinese Americans committed to higher education as well as to the ideal of public service. Most recently he served on the President's Advisory Commission of the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders as an appointee of President George W. Bush. Previously Dr. Tsu was appointed by President George H.W. Bush to serve as co-chair of his Presidential Personnel Advisory Committee. Dr. Tsu also served as the Regional Representative of the Secretary of Education from 1989 to 1991.

Dr. Tsu's long years of service in higher education included 19 years at Seton Hall University, where he served as Director of the Institute of Far Eastern Studies and Founder and first Chairman of the Department of Asian Studies. More recently he served as a regent for John F. Kennedy University in Orinda, California, and President of the Asian American Political Education Foundation in San Francisco.

"We commend the life of John Tsu and mourn his loss," said Robert Lee, Chairman of the Committee of 100. "John was a man of achievement in the academic world, and this and his years of public service are an example to all of us. He was also a gentleman and a pleasure to know. All of us in the Committee will miss him."

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. Members use their knowledge and experience to serve a dual mission: encouraging the full participation of Chinese Americans in all aspects of American life and encouraging stronger relations between the United States and Greater China.

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