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DEAR ASIAN YOUTH HOSTS FIRST IN-PERSON ADVOCACY CONFERENCE DEAR ASIAN YOUTH (DAY) DAY

February 5th, 2023: Dear Asian Youth (DAY) recently hosted our first in-person advocacy event in 5 major cities in the United States: Washington D.C., New York City, Chicago, San Francisco, and Los Angeles on January 27th, 2023. DAY Day was open to the public as well as our team members. Our attendants received workshops on inclusive activism, networked with other Asians in their community, and had the opportunity to advocate to legislators for policy that they believe in. In total, representatives of Dear Asian Youth and the public were able to advocate to 20 legislators, with 12 of the legislators being in the 118th United States Congress. The bills DAY Day attendants advocated for were regarding the following policy issues: (1) Racial Inclusion (2) Voter Rights (3) Environmental Justice (4) Gun Violence Prevention (5) Mental Health.

Stephanie Hu, Executive Director on DAY Day: “Thank you to everyone who organized, attended, and supported DAY Day! As an entirely remote organization, hosting a successful in-person event affirms our commitment to embracing more policy advocacy and delivering consistent value to our supporters in the future.”

The DAY Team would also especially like to thank the OCA-Asian Pacific American Advocates for supporting us in hosting the event and providing our DC Hub. We would also like to thank the Japanese Americans Citizens League for hosting an advocacy training session for attendees that chose to advocate to legislators. Lastly, DAY is grateful for our DAY Day project leads Nikhitha Balijepalli and Saoud Moon and the leads and their respective teams for each city respectively: Rohan Lokhandham (DC), Anh Dang (NYC), Jasmin Mundi (CHI), Matthew Chen (SF), and Mena Vo (LA) for their leadership and effort to ensure that DAY successfully hosted the event.

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