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API Council Community Celebration Honors Decades of Partnership Between Speaker Emerita Pelosi and San Francisco's AANHPI-serving Organizations

San Francisco, CA — Following a special community celebration held on Thursday, May 7, 2026, Speaker Emerita Nancy Pelosi reflected on her decades-long partnership with the API Council of San Francisco and the critical work of AANHPI-serving community-based organizations across San Francisco.

The celebration brought together over 100 community members, leaders, elected officials, and residents from across the Bay Area in recognition of Speaker Emerita Pelosi's remarkable leadership and decades of partnership with San Francisco's AANHPI-serving community-based organizations. The event captured the depth of a partnership forged through consistent listening, genuine trust, and concrete legislative action that has directly transformed the lives of thousands of AANHPI families.

"The AAPI community has long strengthened San Francisco, and the API Council reflects that strength through its service and leadership," said Speaker Emerita Nancy Pelosi. "Across our city, their organizations are helping families navigate services, access culturally competent care and get the support they need to thrive. That partnership, rooted in trust and listening, has guided our work together and delivered real results—and I am proud to have stood with them every step of the way."

Speaking to the significance of the celebration, API Council Executive Director Cally Wong reflected on what it represents for the broader AANHPI movement. "This celebration was never just about one leader," said Cally Wong. "It was about recognizing that real change comes from community-based organizations on the ground, the people doing the work every single day with families and communities who are often invisible in the halls of power. Speaker Emerita Pelosi understood that. She came to listen, not to teach. She came to learn, not to lead from above. And then she used her power to back up what she heard from us. That's rare. That's the kind of partnership that makes actual change possible. And we are deeply grateful for it."

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The [API Council of San Francisco](#) is a coalition of over 50 community-based organizations serving Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities across the city. For more than a decade, the API Council has worked to unite and amplify the collective voice of AANHPI-serving nonprofits on issues impacting our communities. Our members provide direct services, organize residents, and develop policy solutions rooted in lived experience.