

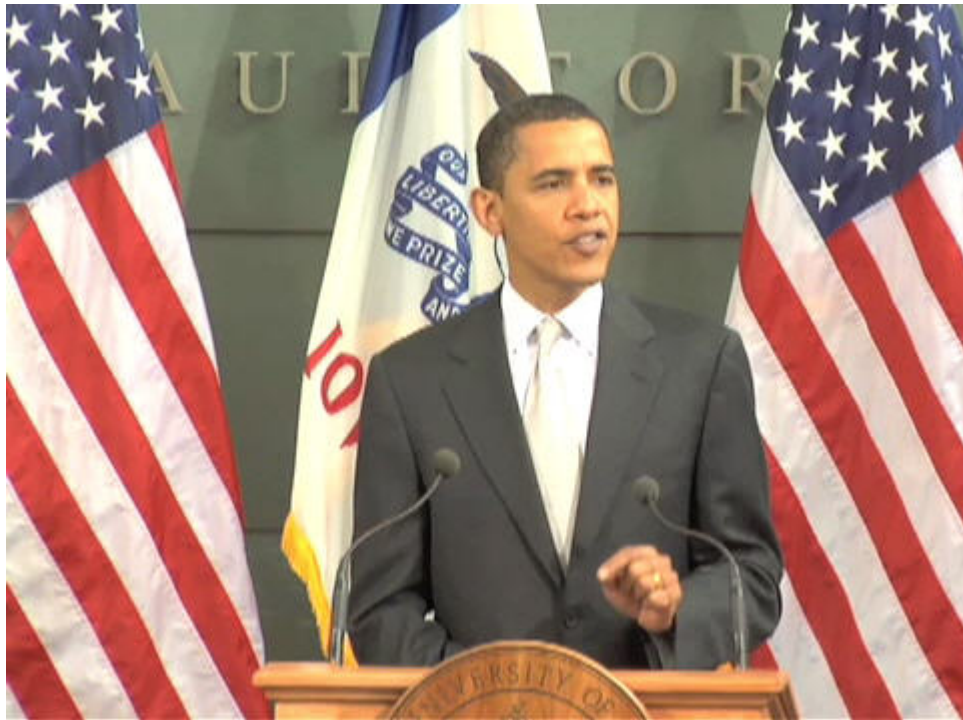
Our many diverse Asian-American (AAPI) communities across
the USA salute and support you

SENATOR BARACK OBAMA

As the child of an immigrant, your aspiration to become President of
the United States represents for our own families and children

THE AMERICAN DREAM

We Share Your Message of Unity and Hope



"Like you, we want a president who appeals to the hopes of those who still believe in the American dream."

U.S. SENATOR EDWARD M. KENNEDY

I support Barack Obama because he will help bring the country together again, lead the world and show by example, not by words, that here in America anything is really possible for those who dare to dream and those determined to work for it.

U.S. SENATOR JOHN KERRY

"We are beginning a new chapter in American history, and I am convinced that Barack Obama is the best person to write it, that he can both change and unite America. That is why I am supporting Barack Obama to be President of the United States of America."

NORMAN MINETA,
Former SECRETARY Of TRANSPORTATION and Former Member of Congress

"More than any other major figure on the American political scene, Senator Obama's political outlook is shaped by truly having been a citizen of the world. Barack has lived his life of service from the inside out. He knows who he is and has a strong moral compass, along with the character, intellect, judgment, experience, integrity, and leadership to lead our nation well."

-- Preeti D. Bansal, New York attorney and former Solicitor General of the State of New York & former Clinton White House special counsel; Harvard Law School '89

"Barack Obama's intelligence and integrity inspired his law school classmates like me. Back then, Sen. Obama used his natural leadership skills to bring people together, as I know he will do as President in the future."

--Prof. Susan Freiwald, *Univ. of San Francisco Law School and Harvard Law School classmate of Sen. Obama*

"Barack Obama offers an opportunity to see our country rise above its partisan differences, elevate its image globally, and inaugurate a new, exciting generation of leadership."

--Robert W. Gee, *Former Assistant Secretary of Energy, US Department of Energy, and Former Chairman, Public Utility Commission of Texas*

"Barack Obama's early stand against the war in Iraq drew me to his candidacy. His remarkable abilities to inspire support and build multicultural coalitions will serve Asian Americans well on issues such as immigration, civil rights and global peace."

--Paul Igasaki, *former Vice Chair, EEOC; Executive Director of Asian Law Caucus*

"I choose Obama because more than any other leader in recent memory, he has the potential to transform how we think and talk about race in America... We as Korean-Americans also understand what it means to be different, to be misunderstood. And we should welcome the possibility that the next president of the United States—the ultimate insider—might share this understanding."

--Prof. Jerry Kang, *Law Professor, UCLA, and Harvard Law School graduate*

"Sen. Obama's bold example is inspiring future Asian-American community leaders to public service. His vision of change will bring new opportunities for all AAPI communities."

--H. Helene Kim, *global strategy consultant and Harvard Law School classmate of Sen. Obama*

"Barack Obama arrived at Harvard Law School with a mission. A community organizer before law school, he seemed only to want more tools at the ready to help him help others, a law degree that would enable him not only to understand our legal system but give him the credibility to work for changes in that system. That was almost twenty years ago and yet his classmates and professors, and now the world, find him as dedicated as ever after a long career in *public service*."

--Juliette LaChapelle, *Fmr. Asst. U.S. Attorney for Houston, TX and Harvard Law School Classmate of Sen. Obama*

"It would have been easy enough, and far safer politically, for Barack Obama to come out in favor of war before he campaigned for the U.S. Senate. He stuck by his beliefs instead, and the position he took five years ago has been vindicated. Senator Obama's judgment in foreseeing the disastrous consequences of the Iraq War qualifies him as the best candidate for President. "

--Anthony K. Lee, *San Francisco lawyer and Harvard Law School Classmate of Sen. Obama*

"Barack Obama represents the promise of the American dream that my family hoped for nearly three decades ago when we moved to America."

-- Troy S. Lee, *Houston lawyer, Harvard '98, Columbia Law '01*

"At Harvard Law School, Barack stood out for his intelligence, his ability to rise above petty partisan politics, and his charm. We need someone with those traits as President of the United States - not just President of the Law Review."

--David Levy, *Houston lawyer and Harvard Law School Classmate of Sen. Obama*

"I support Barack Obama for president because he has a once in a generation mind and heart from ---which he will lead this country to prosperity and peace. More than any other candidate he will bring people together to solve the greatest problems of our day."

--Grande Lum, *mediator, author and Harvard Law School classmate of Sen. Obama.*

"Sen. Obama is the heroic leader that our country needs right now. He is the visionary leader that our country needs to present to the world. I support Barack because as a parent, husband, and community leader, I feel that there is only one choice. I stand with Barack Obama."

--David Mineta, *Deputy Director of Asian-American Recovery Services, Inc. and President of Jefferson Union High School District Board of Trustees in Daly City, California*

"Obama is the candidate who has demonstrated that "inclusion" can go from concept to reality. A man of profound courage; he gives us all the ability to be fearless in reaching across the many divides that politicians too readily exploit in the journey to leadership."

-- Angela Oh, *Attorney, Civil Rights Activist and Former Appointee to Presidential Advisory Board on Race*

"Like many of us, Barack Obama devoted himself for many years to community grassroots organizing. From his own experiences, Sen. Obama understands that real change comes from the "bottom up." This is the key to rebuilding our communities and our nation, and why he inspires hope in all of us."

--Diane J. Shin, *former Vice President, Haninwhe Korean-American Association, Northern California*

"Even at Harvard Law School, well before the launch of his political career, Barack showed a remarkable ability to hear all sides of an issue find the common ground to bring people together. Now more than ever, we need these traits in a president of the United States."

--Bettina Elias Siegel, *Harvard Law School classmate of Sen. Obama*

"Barack Obama stands for a moral message of creating a life that ennobles the human spirit. He is the best candidate to lead this country out of the war, and to restore the American ideals to which so many people in the world aspire."

--Prof. Behnam Tabrizi, Stanford University

"Barack unites Republicans, Independents and Democrats - he did this at Harvard Law, as the first African-American elected president of the law review, and in the Illinois legislature as state senator for 8 years. As President, he will unite our country and transform our influence and reputation around the world."

--Terrence Yang, New York lawyer, Harvard Law School classmate and ex-summer coworker of Sen. Obama

"Barack Obama, the son of a Kenyan immigrant, symbolically represents why so many Korean immigrants have come to this country – for change and opportunity."

--Prof. Grace Jeanmee Yoo, San Francisco State University

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