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US CONGRESS MEMBER GRACE MENG CONDEMNS SUPREME COURT AFFIRMATIVE ACTION DECISION



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Press Release

QUEENS, NY – Today, U.S. Rep. Grace Meng (D-NY), issued the following statement on the Supreme Court's affirmative action decision.

"Today's Supreme Court decision will have devastating impacts on the diversity of our institutions of higher education and learning in general. This decision does nothing but preserve and increase the likelihood of admissions for wealthy and well-connected students. In order to factually achieve a more transparent and fair admissions process, we must look at the admissions process holistically, which cannot happen without addressing the practice of legacy, athletic scholarships, faculty and donor connections in the admissions process.

We must maintain a transparent and equitable admissions process that ensures the identities, strengths, achievements, and experiences of all applicants are valued and considered. I am angry that Asian Americans are being used as pawns in this lawsuit and as a wedge between communities of color and will be treated as scapegoats under the false assumption we will benefit. Asian American are being used by the same people who purport to care about them getting into universities, but are passing alien land laws preventing them from buying homes. The number of Asian American students admitted is unlikely to increase. The quality of our education will decrease and benefit the wealthy and well-connected.

I remain committed to promoting diversity and equal opportunity for all in higher education."

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Indian Diaspora Council International (IDC), established in 1997, is an international non-profit organization with global affiliates and membership in 21 countries with the objective to embrace, engage and enhance the shared heritage, aspirations and interests of persons of Indian origin with optimum inclusivity.