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## **ATASK Announces New Board Leaders and Members**

**FEB 6, 2009 - BOSTON, MA** - The Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence (ATASK) announced the election of new Board leadership and membership at its annual meeting held on January 29, 2009. Constance Kane of Brookline, Dr. Sukanya Ray of Cambridge, and Pamela Whitney of Arlington will join the Board of the 15-year old agency that provides services and support to Asian survivors of domestic violence. They join Kija Kim of Belmont and Founder of Harvard Design & Mapping Co., who was appointed Chair, Catherine Coburn, Vice Chair, Zina Kondratiuk Treasurer, Audrey Paek Clerk, and Goodwin Procter Partner Paul Lee. The three new Board members were appointed to replace Atsuko Toko Fish, Kamal Misra and Leverett Wing, whose terms ended December 2008.

“With the start of the new year and additional support from our newest members of the board, I look forward to making 2009 a thriving year for the agency. We are fortunate at ATASK to have outstanding Board leadership. In this year of the Ox, prosperity will come from hard work and intelligence ” Linda Chin, the president of ATASK commented at the meeting.

The newest members of the board bring excellent experience to contribute to ATASK’s mission and vision. **Dr. Constance Kane**, residence of Brookline, is the Vice President and Chief Operating Officer for the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee. With experiences of serving as a Senior Consultant for Senegal for World Education, being the Director of regional Program for Oxfam America and the Vice President for Pact Inc. under her belt, Dr. Kane is not only a founding member the Global Reporting Initiative for tracking progress of corporate social responsibilities, but she is currently a senior development professional with experience in enhancing the capacity of individuals and institutions to reduce global poverty. **Dr. Sukanya Ray**, residence of Cambridge, is a staff clinician at the Asian Clinic in the Department of Psychiatry of Cambridge Health Alliance at Harvard Medical School. Under her title, she is involved with the team for Victims of Violence Clinic and the community outreach service program. Dr. Ray also teaches graduate courses in cross-cultural psychology, counseling across diverse cultures, and psychology of trauma and recovery at Suffolk University as an Associate Professor in the Department of Psychology. **Pamela Whitney** served for over two decades at the Massachusetts Department of Social Services, working her way from a Special assistant for Health Care to Assistant Commissioner. Whitney co-founded the department’s domestic violence unit, the first of its kind in the country and oversaw the \$23 million state domestic violence budget. She is acclaimed as the author of several publications as well as her leadership, performance, and community service.

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**About the Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence**

Incorporated in 1992, the Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence (ATASK) is a non-profit organization that provides New England's only multilingual emergency shelter and support services for Asian survivors of domestic violence and their children. ATASK works to eliminate family violence and strengthen Asian families and communities. Its education and outreach initiatives benefit thousands of people each year, through an increased awareness of domestic violence, survivors' resources, and cultural competency.