Linda Chin, New President, Leads the Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence

BOSTON, MA, September 5, 2008 - The Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence (ATASK), located in Boston, Massachusetts, is pleased to announce that Linda Chin has been appointed as the agency’s President.

Linda Chin brings over two decades of management and consulting experience to her new role. She is known nationally for her work in healthcare, most recently as Senior Vice President for Planning, Marketing, and Public Relations at Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA), an academic public health system and one of the ten largest healthcare systems in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. While there, Linda facilitated the annual strategic planning process, directed the marketing and public relations functions, developed new programs and service lines, helped the organization garner awards, grants, and additional sources of funding, and fostered collaborations with academic institutions, community organizations, and other healthcare systems, including one in Nagoya, Japan.

Linda has also held senior leadership roles at New England Medical Center (now Tufts Medical Center) and The Cambridge Hospital. At New England Medical Center she led network development activities and designed health programs for the Asian community. Linda was instrumental in helping The Cambridge Hospital garner the prestigious Foster G. McGaw Prize for Hospital Excellence in Community Service for innovative programs, including a Domestic Violence-Free Zone in the City of Cambridge. Her consulting work with The Burlington Group, with Arthur D. Little, and as an independent consultant focused on strategy development and implementation for hospitals, schools, and other non-profit organizations. As Community Science Liaison for the Cambridge Public Schools, she built partnerships between the school department and area academic and scientific institutions to expand opportunities for students to learn science and pursue careers in the growing life sciences field.

“Linda has devoted her career to improving access to services by vulnerable populations and to building stronger families and communities,” says Atsuko Fish, Chairman of the Board of Directors of ATASK. “We are pleased that she is bringing her experience, vision, and energy to ATASK as we move forward to the next chapter of our organization. I have no doubt that she will be a great asset to our agency as well as for the community.”
Linda is the proud daughter of Chinese immigrants and the first generation in her family to attend college. She holds a bachelor’s degree from Yale University and a master’s degree from the Harvard School of Public Health. Linda serves on the Board of the Cambridge Community Foundation and the Cambridge Youth Dance Program, and previously served on the Board of South Cove Health Center and as Board Chair of the Cambridge-Ellis School. Linda and her husband are the proud parents of three children and reside in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

About the Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence and the Silk Road Gala

The Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence (ATASK) features New England’s only multilingual emergency shelter and services for Asian survivors of domestic violence and their children. ATASK will celebrate its 15th annual benefit, the Silk Road Gala, on Saturday, November 15, from 5:00PM to 9:30PM at the Boston Marriott Copley Place Hotel. The event will support ATASK’s unique, multilingual emergency shelter and advocacy programs that serve and support over 400 clients and handle over 7,200 advocacy calls annually. ATASK’s education and outreach initiatives benefit thousands of people each year, through an increased awareness of domestic violence, survivors’ resources, and cultural competency.

Silk Road Gala co-chairs are Mr. Lawrence K. Fish, Chairman of Citizens Financial Group and RBS Americas, and Ms. Regina M. Pisa, Chairman and Managing Partner of Goodwin Procter LLP. This year’s gala will honor ATASK staff for their hard work and relentless dedication in serving survivors of domestic violence since its founding 16 years ago.

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