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ABC13/KTRK-TV HOUSTON TO HOST VIRTUAL TOWN HALL TO DISCUSS THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 IN THE ASIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY

Virtual Town Hall Airs Thursday, May 21 (7:00 – 8:00p.m.)

Stream Live at ABC13.com, ABC13's <u>Facebook Live</u> and <u>YouTube</u> and ABC13's <u>connected TV apps</u> on Amazon FireTV, Android TV, Apple TV and Roku

ABC13, Houston's most-watched television station, presents a one-hour <u>virtual town hall</u> on **THURSDAY**, **MAY 21** (7:00 – 8:00 p.m. CDT), to discuss how the COVID-19 pandemic has affected the Asian American and Pacific Islander communities across southeast Texas.

Hosted by ABC13's Eyewitness News reporter Miya Shay, the town hall coincides with the observation of Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month and will discuss the disparate challenges of COVID-19 faced by the approximately 140,000 Houstonians that identify as AAPI, as well as the significant accomplishments the community has achieved in the fight against COVID-19.

Panelists for the town hall include the following:

- **Debbie Chen**, Houston restaurateur and board member of OCA-Greater Houston, a civil rights organization advocating for the AAPI community
- Chloe Dao, fashion designer and television personality
- Paul Gor, director of community services, Asian Chamber of Commerce Houston
- Mustafa Tameez, president and founder of Outreach Strategists

ABC13 urges viewers to join the town hall and submit their questions <u>online at ABC13.com</u> or through the <u>ABC13 news app</u> for possible inclusion in Thursday's town hall.

The virtual town hall will air on ABC13, **THURSDAY, MAY 21, at 7:00 p.m. CDT,** ABC13.com, streaming on ABC13's <u>Facebook Live</u>, <u>YouTube</u>, <u>ABC13's app</u>, and <u>ABC13's connected TV apps</u> on Amazon Fire TV, Apple TV, Android TV and Roku.

About KTRK-TV

For over 50 years, ABC13 has been the undisputed news leader in Houston, from sign-on to sign-off. Broadcasting 46 hours of locally produced newscasts each week, ABC13 is top-rated and most-watched among the Houston-area viewers. ABC13 also leads the market in its digital media efforts, with top rankings for its website, abc13.com, Facebook and Twitter. ABC13 is the first and only television station in Houston with WATCH ABC, which delivers live, 24/7 digital streaming of our programming to users on their smartphones and tablets. ABC13 is deeply invested in the Houston community, and we spotlight Houston's diversity through Eyewitness News reporting, covering issues that affect different segments of our population

– from Crossroads, Viva Houston, Visions to City View. ABC13 is also known for telecasting most of the city's major events including the annual July 4th Freedom Over Texas celebration, The Chevron Marathon, The Bayou Bowl and The Houston Rodeo Parade. The station also broadcasts several community affairs projects throughout the year including: Share Your Holidays, an annual food drive benefiting the Houston Food Bank; and our E-cycle Drive, a collection/recycling effort for outdated electronic equipment in conjunction with Earth Day.

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