



OBAMA VS. MCCAIN ON AAPI ISSUES

BARACK OBAMA:

- ✓ OBAMA WILL RESTORE THE WHITE HOUSE INITIATIVE ON ASIAN AMERICANS AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS TO WORK TOWARDS ITS ORIGINAL GOAL OF MEETING THE UNDERSERVED NEEDS OF AAPIS.
- ✓ OBAMA PRAISED PASSAGE OF THE COLLEGE COST REDUCTION AND ACCESS ACT OF 2007, WHICH PROVIDED MILLIONS FOR TRIBAL AND AAPI SERVING INSTITUTIONS.
- ✓ OBAMA PLEDGES FULL FEDERAL COMMITMENT TO FAST TRACK COMPACT IMPACT REIMBURSEMENT.
- ✓ OBAMA COSPONSORED MINORITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT AND HEALTH DISPARITY ELIMINATION ACT .
- ✓ OBAMA PASSED THE DREAM ACT IN ILLINOIS.
- ✓ OBAMA COSPONSORED THE FILIPINO VETERANS EQUITY ACT OF 2007.
- ✓ OBAMA COSPONSORED COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION LEGISLATION, AND INTRODUCED AMENDMENTS TO REDUCE IMMIGRATION BACKLOGS.
- ✓ OBAMA WAS RAISED WITH ASIAN CULTURE IN HAWAII AND ASIA.

JOHN MCCAIN:

- x 2008: MCCAIN CONDEMNED COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM LEGISLATION HE INITIALLY CHAMPIONED WITH SEN. KENNEDY.
- X DURING THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY, MCCAIN FLIPPED TO OPPOSE THE DREAM ACT.
- x MCCAIN VOTED AGAINST \$540 MILLION IN FUNDING FOR MINORITY HEALTH SERVICES.
- X MCCAIN HAS REPEATEDLY VOTED AGAINST INCREASING FUNDING FOR PELL GRANTS AND STUDENT LOANS.
- x MCCAIN VOTED AGAINST COMPENSATING AMERICANS OF JAPANESE DESCENT WHO WERE INTERNED DURING WORLD WAR II.
- X MCCAIN OPPOSES EXPANDING THE SUCCESSFUL STATE CHILDREN HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM TO PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE TO MILLIONS OF LOW-INCOME CHILDREN.
- x MCCAIN SUPPORTS PRIVATIZING SOCIAL SECURITY, WHICH WOULD ADD ONE TRILLION TO THE NATIONAL DEBT AND UNDERMINE THE SECURITY OF THIS IMPORTANT PROGRAM FOR AAPIS.