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**GARCETTI ANNOUNCES PASSAGE OF RESOLUTION  
SUPPORTING DESIGNATION OF HISTORIC FILIPINOTOWN  
AS PRESERVE AMERICA COMMUNITY**  
*Federal designation would make neighborhood  
eligible for additional resources*

Los Angeles City Council President Eric Garcetti today announced passage of his resolution that officially puts the City of Los Angeles on record in support of the designation of Historic Filipinotown as a Preserve America Community.

Preserve America is a federal initiative designed to support local efforts to preserve and celebrate our country's cultural heritage. Communities designated as a Preserve America Community become eligible to apply for Preserve America grants.

"Filipino Americans have made important contributions to our city's culture, economy, and community, and the dedication of Historic Filipinotown in 2002 marked a milestone for the community in Los Angeles," said Council President Garcetti. "Since that time, the neighborhood has been a place where Filipino Americans could share the community's history and culture with each other and the rest of Los Angeles. The designation of Historic Filipinotown as a Preserve America Community will help introduce the community to a national audience and bring more resources to the neighborhood."

The Pilipino American Network and Advocacy (PANA) is submitting the application to designate Historic Filipinotown as a Preserve America Community. For more information about the Preserve America initiative, please visit [www.preserveamerica.gov](http://www.preserveamerica.gov).

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