PETITION FOR THE COMMISSION ON WARTIME RELOCATION AND INTERNMENT

OF CIVILIANS TO HOLD A HEARING IN NEW YORK

The Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians is charged with the responsibility of conducting community hearings to determine the extent of losses and damages suffered by Japanese and Japanese Americans as the result of Executive Order 9066. Thousands of people who were incarcerated as a result of the Executive Order and their descendants reside within the greater New York metropolitan area. Attendance at a recent program commemorating the issu nce of Executive Order 9066 and at a mock hearing held at Columbia University have drawn a large representation of the New York Japanese American Community. This illustrates the interest and the desire of Japanese Americans in this area to voice their concern and share their experiences.

We believe it is vital for the Commission to hold a hearing in New York to fulfill its responsibilities as formally charged and to the Japanese American Community at large.

We the undersigned request The Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians to hold a hearing in New York.

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