

The Trustees of The California State University

hereby confer upon

Ryo Morikawa Tsai

the Honorary Degree of

Bachelor of Humane Letters

Honoris Causa

With all the rights, privileges, and honors pertaining thereto, given at
San Diego State University

May 17, 2010



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and President of the Trustees

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chanh B. Leed".

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert H. Weber".

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Citation to *Ryo Morikawa Tsai*

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The California State University (CSU) recognizes the injustice suffered by Japanese-Americans in 1942 when more than 120,000 individuals were forced to leave their California homes, businesses, farms and educational institutions and were incarcerated in relocations camps as a result of the federal Executive Order 9066 issued by then-President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Included were hundreds of California State University students. Their lives, both personal and educational, were severely disrupted by the Executive Order.

In the Civil Liberties Act of 1988, the U.S. Congress and the President of the United States declared that: "The excluded individuals of Japanese ancestry suffered enormous damages, both material and intangible, and there were incalculable losses in education and job training, all of which resulted in significant human suffering for which appropriate compensation has not been made. For these fundamental violations of the basic civil liberties and constitutional rights of these individuals of Japanese ancestry, the Congress apologizes on behalf of the Nation."

Assembly Member Warren Furutani introduced Assembly Bill 37 in 2008 as a way to further honor students who were enrolled in California's public universities in the 1941-1942 academic year. The CSU is proud to honor the academic intentions of those students displaced by the Executive Order by conferring on them a special honorary baccalaureate degree in the name of the California State University and the CSU Board of Trustees. While these degrees will not rectify past injustices, it is fitting to redress the wrong in hopes that it will never happen again.



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