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The Honorable Megan Brennan  
Postmaster General and Chief Executive Officer  
United States Postal Service  
475 L'Enfant Plaza Southwest  
Washington, DC 20260

Dear Postmaster General Brennan:

I am writing to express my support for a United States Postal Service (USPS) commemorative postage stamp to honor the Japanese Americans who served our country during World War II.

Next year will mark 75 years since over 120,000 Japanese Americans were relocated to internment camps for the duration of the war. Despite this injustice, over 33,000 Japanese Americans answered the call of duty and enlisted to serve in the U.S. military. These veterans, many of whom were from my district of Orange County, California, demonstrated great patriotism during a period of prejudice and wartime hysteria. Over 800 of these individuals paid the ultimate sacrifice while defending our nation. Their willingness to defend our freedom deserves our deep respect and gratitude.

I appreciate your thoughtful consideration of a proposal to issue a stamp featuring the Japanese American Memorial to Patriotism During World War II. This memorial, located in our nation's capital, pays tribute to the Japanese American experience during the war. I believe that a commemorative stamp would be an appropriate and important way to recognize the Japanese Americans who served our country so bravely.

Sincerely,



Mimi Walters  
Member of Congress