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*National Museum of African American
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Rep. Doris Matsui Appointed to Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture Council

Rep. Doris Matsui (D-Calif.) has been named a member of the National Museum of African American History and Culture Council. Matsui replaces Walter Massey as the Board of Regents' representative on the Council.

The National Museum of African American History and Culture is the only national museum devoted exclusively to the documentation of African American life, art, history and culture.

The museum's Council advises the Board of Regents on the planning and design of the museum; the acquisition and display of objects; and the administration, operation, maintenance and preservation of the museum.

"The Smithsonian is rightfully regarded as a national treasure, and I anticipate that the addition of the National Museum of African American History and Culture will only broaden the scope of the Smithsonian's mission," said Matsui. "I am honored to be appointed to the Council and represent the Board of Regents. I am confident that we will be able to steer the planning of the museum to ensure that we stay true to the vision of James Smithson and bring increased knowledge to every person who crosses the threshold of the museum."

The 19-member Council includes leaders from business, academia and the arts who will serve terms of one, two or three years.

The Council members are as follows:

- James Ireland Cash, retired James E. Robison Professor and senior associate dean of the Harvard Business School
- Kenneth I. Chenault, chairman and chief executive officer of American Express Company
- Ann M. Fudge, chairman and chief executive officer of Young & Rubicam Brands

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- James A. Johnson, vice chairman of Perseus L.L.C.
- Robert L. Johnson, founder and chief executive officer of Black Entertainment Television and the RLJ Companies
- Quincy Jones, producer and multimedia entrepreneur
- Ann D. Jordan, consultant for Northpoint Technology
- Michael L. Lomax, president and chief executive officer of the United Negro College Fund
- Homer A. Neal, director of the University of Michigan-ATLAS Project and the Samuel A. Goudsmit Distinguished University Professor of Physics at the University of Michigan
- E. Stanley O'Neal, chairman and chief executive officer of Merrill Lynch & Company
- Samuel J. Palmisano, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of IBM Corporation
- Richard D. Parsons, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Time Warner Inc.
- Franklin D. Raines, retired chairman and chief executive officer of Fannie Mae
- Linda Johnson Rice, president and chief executive officer of Johnson Publishing Company Inc.
- H. Patrick Swygert, president of Howard University
- Anthony Welters, president and chief executive officer of AmeriChoice
- Oprah Winfrey, chairman of Harpo Inc.

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