

## Senator Golden to Celebrate Asian Pacific Heritage Month

MARTIN J. GOLDEN May 14, 2015

Brooklyn- State Senator Marty Golden (R-C-I, Brooklyn) is announcing that he will be hosting his 13th Annual Asian Pacific Heritage Festival at McKinley Park on Sunday, May 17, 2015, from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00p.m., located at Bay Ridge Parkway and Fort Hamilton Parkway, and is inviting the community to join in this special event held in celebration of Asian American Heritage Month.

The entertainment will begin at 2 p.m. and include ethnic dances including the Chinese Lion Dance, a demonstration of Buddhist Monk Kung Fu, Korean Tae Kwon Do, Indian dance, Burmese dance, Chinese dance, and performances of Broadway songs and Cantonese classic songs. A wide array of ethnic food, calligraphy, painting, arts and crafts and prizes will be available as well. The event will also raise funds for Nepal earthquake relief.

Senator Marty Golden stated, "The number of Asians living in Brooklyn is up. Sixty percent more Asians were counted in the 2010 Census, than a decade ago, to 262,000 Asians. Each year, we celebrate the month of May as Asian Pacific American Heritage Month and we celebrate the achievements and the success of this culture. Millions of Americans trace their origins to nations in the Asian Pacific region and they enrich Brooklyn, New York and our Nation. I look forward to hosting this annual event that recognizes the many important contributions that Asian Pacific Americans have made to our community."

For more information on the event, contact Senator Golden's office at (718) 238-6044.

Members of the media are welcome to attend.