

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2026 Legislative Session

Legislative day # 6

RESOLUTION NO. 69-2026

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title Reappointment – May-Fong Tsay – Asian American and Pacific Islander Commission

Title: A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of May-Fong Tsay to the Asian American and Pacific Islander Commission.

Introduced and read first time on May 4, 2026.

By order Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

Read for a second time and a public hearing held on May 18, 2026.

By order Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted , Adopted with amendments __, Failed __, Withdrawn __ by the County Council on June 1, 2026.

Certified by Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing language; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing language. ~~Strike out~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

MAY-FONG J. TSAY

(updated Nov. 25, 2022)

EDUCATION:

Certificate for Substitute Art Teacher, 1998–2007
Howard County Public Schools, Maryland

B.F.A. Degree in Art, 1986

Chancellor's Honor List and Outstanding Student Award in Art
University of Alaska, Fairbanks, Alaska

B.A. Degree in Art, 1983
University of Alaska, Fairbanks, Alaska

Diploma in Commercial Design, 1977
Ming Chuan College, Taipei, Taiwan

Special Studies in Drawing, Painting and Chinese Painting, 1967–1974
Art studio, Kaohsiung, Taiwan.

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

State of Maryland – Asian Pacific American Heritage Month
Certificate of Celebration, 2018, 2019, 2022

State of Maryland – Community Service Awards
Certificate of Appreciation, 2019, 2022

Howard County – Asian American Pacific Islander Workgroup
Commissioner, 2020–2022

Taiwanese American Association – Greater Baltimore & Columbia
President, 2009, 2011–2012, 2015–2016, 2020–2021

Taiwanese American Senior Society of Greater Washington, DC
Board of Directors, 2014–present

Columbia Chinese Language School
Board of Directors, 1995–1997; Volunteer, 1991–1994, 1998–2004

AWARD: (less-to-no activities during COVID-19 pandemic)

“Certificate of Achievement” for excellent student (K-12) guidance
Federal Junior Duck Stamp program and scholarship competition, 1993–present

“Certificate of Achievement” for excellent student (Age 6-15) guidance
International Adolescents Painting Competition, 2000, 2012, 2014, 2016

“Certificate of Achievement” for excellent student (K-12) guidance
Coastal America Ocean Art Contest National winner,

Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History, 2008, 2010, 2012

"MADD Certificate of Appreciation" for excellent student (Grade 1-12) guidance
Mother Against Drunk Driving poster contest, Howard Co., MD, 1993–2004

"Certificate of Achievement" for excellent student (Grade 1-12) guidance
Howard County Human Rights Commission *Fair Housing* poster contest, 1999–2004

"Certificate of Achievement" for excellent student (K-12) guidance
CyberSafety-CyberEthics Art poster contest, Howard Co., MD, 2004

"Certificate of Appreciation" for excellent student (K-12) guidance
Columbia Festival of the Arts poster contest, Howard Co., MD, 2004

"Certificate of Appreciation" for excellent student (Age 6-15) guidance
Geico Safety Belt poster contest, national grand price/regional winners, 2002–2003

"Certificate of Achievement" for excellent student (Age 6-8) guidance
Archeological Society of Maryland student poster contest, 2003

"Certificate of Appreciation" for excellent student (Age 6-12) guidance
Maryland State Law Library, Law Week poster contest, 2002

"Certificate of Appreciation" for excellent student (Age 6-15) guidance
Smart Growth Art Exhibition poster contest, Maryland State House, 2002

"Certificate of Appreciation" for excellent student (K-12) guidance
Columbia International Day poster contest, grand price/winners, 1999–2000

"Certificate of Appreciation" for excellent student (Grade 1-8) guidance
Sgt. Peppers Restaurants logo contest, grand price/winners, 1999

"Certificate of Appreciation" for excellent student (K-12) guidance
MetLife National Youth Drawing contest, New York, 1998

"Crescent Carbord Company Award"
16th Annual Regional Juried Exhibition, Art Gallery of Fells Point, 1998

"AAA Certificate of Achievement" for excellent student (K-12) guidance
AAA National School Traffic Safety Poster Contest, 1992–1996

"Certificate of Appreciation" for excellent student (K-12) guidance
Rain Forest Canopy designs (6'x6' panel) for permanent display,
East Columbia Library, Howard County, four out of five winners, 1993

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Art Studio Teacher, 1991–present

Substitute Art Teacher, 1998–2007

Howard County Public School, Maryland

Art Teacher, 1991–2004
Chinese Language School of Columbia, Columbia, Maryland

Art Teacher, 1986–1990
Rocky Mountain Chinese School, Fort Collins, Colorado

Instructor, Chinese Painting, Drawing and Watercolor, 1983–1986
Tanana Valley Community College, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, AK

Exhibit Design Assistant, Design, Layout and Production, 1981–1983
University Museum, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, Alaska

Interior Designer, Commercial and Private Sectors, 1977–1980
Image Interior Company, Taiwan

SOLO and GROUP EXHIBITION: (less-to-no activities during COVID-19 pandemic)

“May’s Studio Art Exhibition”

Ellicott City, Maryland, 1991–present

“American-Pacific Islander Heritage Month”

Maryland Department of Transportation, May 2016

“May’s Studio Group Exhibition”

Culture Center of TECRO, Gaithersburg, MD, 2014, 2016

“Overseas Taiwanese Cultural & Art Festival”

Washington, DC, 1995–2000

“Columbia Art Festival”

Columbia, Maryland, 1995

“Mid-Atlantic Regional Watercolor Exhibition”

Baltimore, Maryland, 1994

“Annual Juried Exhibition” for the New Arts Alliance

Columbia, Maryland, 1991–1993

“Poudre Valley Art League Member Show”

Fort Collins, Colorado, 1987–1989

“Northern Colorado Region Art Show”

Fort Collins, Colorado, 1986

“Fairbanks Arts Festival Gala Exhibition”

Fairbanks, Alaska, 1985

“BFA Thesis Exhibition”

University Art Gallery, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, 1986 (solo)

“Ascension Gallery”

Fairbanks, Alaska, 1984 (solo)

MEMBERSHIP:

Baltimore Watercolor Society, life member
Chinese Artists Association of Great Washington, DC

BIOGRAPHY:

Born on March 1, 1956, in Taiwan, came to the United States in 1980 and became US citizen in 1994; married with two children – a medical doctor son, and a pharmacy doctor daughter serving in the US Army; one grandson.