

Lee Family Association of U.S.A. Elder, Li Ke-Ciao

Li Ke-Ciao is a highly influential Chinese community leader who is deeply respected by various sectors. He has made contributions to the overseas Chinese community for over 40 years. Born in the 1930s, Li Ke-Ciao graduated from the Department of Electrical Engineering at National Taiwan University in 1960. He then returned to Hong Kong to teach radio electronic engineering at the Far East Aviation School. Shortly after, he immigrated to the United States and took over his father's agricultural and real estate businesses.

In addition to being a successful entrepreneur, Li Ke-Ciao is also actively involved in social activities. He has served as the chairman and president of the Chinese Chamber Of Commerce of New York, and is one of the seven major overseas Chinese organizations in New York. He plays a crucial role in connecting and facilitating communication among Chinese businesses in New York. Furthermore, he has held positions such as vice director of the World Headquarter of the Lee's Family, president of the Eastern Lee Family Association of U.S.A., and chairman of the Lee Family Association of NY, among other traditional overseas Chinese community roles.

Over the years, Li Ke-Ciao has been actively promoting various aspects of overseas affairs, including actively consolidating the unity of the Chinese community, establishing various activity groups, and enhancing communication and cooperation among Chinese people. Li Ke-Ciao also places great importance on the preservation and inheritance of Chinese community culture and frequently organizes various cultural activities such as dance performances, concerts, calligraphy exhibitions, and cultural lectures to promote traditional culture. Moreover, a community forum has been established to provide training and resources, as well as encourage Chinese people to participate in civic engagement activities and promote the rights and well-being of the Chinese community.

In addition, Li Ke-Ciao strongly supports the work of overseas Chinese students and has long supported the ROC Overseas Students Association by donating scholarships for financially disadvantaged overseas Chinese students to contribute to their education. In addition, Li Ke-Ciao is enthusiastic about overseas Chinese affairs and supports the ideals of the Republic of China and Mr. Sun Yat-sen. During his tenure as the president of the New York Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, he organizes the International Tourism and Culture Festival as well as the Taiwan Travel Festival every year, promoting tourism in Taiwan. At the same time, he also

organizes events such as Health Day and Career Day, engaging in charitable activities and benefiting the Chinese community. He has never ceased his public welfare activities.

Li Ke-Ciao also attaches importance to the inheritance of overseas Chinese work. In 2015, he established the Youth Business Department of the Chinese Chamber Of Commerce of New York to cultivate a new generation of Chinese business leaders. In 2021, he handed over the position of President of the Chinese Chamber Of Commerce of New York to the younger generation's Li Guo-Wei, actively promoting the development of overseas Chinese business and society, as well as passing on the torch of community prosperity to the younger generation. He is a visionary and prominent overseas Chinese leader in the New York area, leading the sustainable development of the overseas Chinese community.

Li Ke-Ciao is committed to promoting unity, cultural preservation, and social participation within the Chinese community. He continuously cares for and supports overseas students, cultivating new talents to continue the work in overseas affairs. He has received numerous accolades and honors from various entities including US federal congressmen, New York state legislators, communities, and civil society organizations. In 2023, he was awarded the prestigious Global Outstanding Overseas Compatriot Student Alumni Overseas Affairs Contribution Award by the Overseas Chinese Affairs Commission. This recognition is well-deserved, and we thank this respected and benevolent individual for his years of dedication and contributions to overseas affairs work.