



## **MA-07 Postal Renaming Measure Honoring Caroline Chang**

*Postal Facility Location: 25 Dorchester Ave, Boston, MA 02205*

**Caroline Chang** (1940-2018), a lifelong activist and community leader in the Massachusetts's 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, was born and raised in Boston Chinatown. She served as an interpreter in her early life for community members seeking medical care. In 1970, Boston Mayor Kevin White appointed Chang as the manager of Chinatown's Little City Hall, where she advocated on behalf of community residents. Chang went on to receive her law degree from Suffolk Law School in 1970 and spent more than 30 years with the United States Department of Health and Human Services as the Regional Manager for the Office for Civil Rights, making her the highest-ranking Asian American in the federal government in New England at the time.

Throughout her years of public service, Caroline Chang played a founding role in several organizations that continue to serve the Boston Chinatown community, including:

- The South Cove Community Health Center
- The Asian Community Development Corporation (ACDC)
- The Chinese Historical Society of New England (CHSNE)
- The Harry H. Dow Memorial Legal Assistance Fund
- The Asian American Civic Association (AACA)
- The Greater Boston Chinese Golden Age Center

In acknowledgment of her legacy throughout the Greater Boston Area, Caroline Chang has been honored with the Distinguished Alumni Award from Boston University, the Amelia Earhart Award from the Women's Educational and Industrial Union in Boston, the Founders Award from the Asian American Lawyers Association of Massachusetts, and the Sojourner Award from the Chinese Historical Society of New England.