



Zuni Moon (SFSU 2021)

Ethnicity: Japanese

Place of Birth: Riverside, CA

Party Affiliation: Democratic

Highest Elected Position:

US House of Representatives, CA
39th Congressional District
(2023-now)

Other Positions:

US House of Representatives, CA
41st Congressional District (2013-
23); Board President, Riverside
Community College District Board
of Trustees (1991)

Mark Allan Takano

(b. December 10, 1960)

Mark was born and raised in Riverside, California. He would bus tables in school to make ends meet, and later worked as a teacher before entering politics. During World War II, his parents and grandparents were sent to Japanese American internment camps which initiated an early awareness of injustice and public service. Mark was the first openly gay person elected to Congress in 2012 and championed legislation on education, LGBTQ+ issues, energy and environment, healthcare, housing, and national security. Together with Senator Mazie Hirono in 2019, and after renewed efforts in 2021, Mark introduced legislation to award Fred Korematsu the Congressional Gold Medal for his fight for civil liberties and against Japanese American World War II incarceration.