Hello everyone, my name is Nathan Lam, I am in 5th Grade, and I am 10 years old, I am here today to support Bill. No. SB.359 . I agree with the concept being that no person should be racially segregated just because we are from a different ethnic group, or society.

I live with my family in Canton, CT. My grandparents moved here from China because America is a land of opportunity, A land of freedom. I support this bill because it lets us be as equal and have as much freedom as everyone should have. No ethnic group should be classified as “White, American”, or “Asian”.

In school I am treated as everybody should to be. I can have fun, I can learn, I can have friends, like I’m just any other kid, but I’m not. And it’s not always that way.

A few months back, in school, we took the OLSAT (Otis Lennon School Ability Test). Our teacher turned to the class and said “Put down your race as White, American,” I was about to put down “White, American”, because I was born here and I knew I was legally American. But then the teacher turned to me and said that I was to put down my race as “Asian”, but I am an American. I am American just like everyone else, and I was still being put into a different ethnic group. Nobody should be segregated because of their race, their background, where they came from. We are all Human, we are people. We are not that different. We shouldn’t have to be segregated. If we are segregated, If we are put into different groups, then that would be jinxing the fact America is a free country. That is why I am here, speaking to support Bill.No SB.359.

United We Stand,
Divided We Fall.