

Assembly Bill 123 will allow the youth to learn about their untold history -- a California history which recognizes the contributions of Filipinos in American society. The 1960s-70s struggle of Filipino farm workers was pivotal in ending the suppression and oppression of farm workers' rights, as Filipinos stood hand-in-hand with Mexican farm workers, such as Cesar Chavez, to fight for their rights. The youth deserve to know about the struggles of these "manongs," to be able to connect and understand the struggles of workers and immigrants today -- from comprehensive immigration reform, domestic workers' struggle for human rights and collective bargaining, to the 4,700 Filipinos forced to migrate from the Philippines everyday, livable wages, and much more.

What can we do? To pass AB 123, we need to put pressure on our elected officials and representatives. We can call and send letters. We can spread the word and continue to learn about our history and the current status of the bill. Join the coalition of organizations and individuals to pass AB 123!

Email us at ab123norcal@gmail.com

SUPPORT CALIFORNIA AB 123:

Include 7th-12th grade instruction on Filipinos' role in the Farm Workers Movement

"Education and knowledge are the power of the minorities in this society. It's a hard lesson to learn but one I want to give to the Filipino youth. Filipinos must let good reason guide them through hard times..."

- Philip Vera Cruz, labor leader

Larry Itliong was one of the leaders of the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee (AWOC), who unified farm workers and started the Delano Grape Strike of 1965-1970.

