Nancy Kikuko Hatamiya (1959-2012) lived a wonderful life filled with many passions. She cherished her family and community and devoted her life to public service working primarily on policies related to children, families, civil rights, and education.

Hatamiya served as a policy consultant to three members of the California State Assembly as well as Chief of Staff to two of them. From 2004 to 2006, as Chief of Staff to Assemblymember Pedro Nava, she managed the Capitol office and two district offices; served as press secretary; and supervised staff recommendations regarding higher education and natural resources.

From 2002 to 2004, Hatamiya served as principal consultant to the Select Committee on Children's School Readiness and Health, chaired by Assemblymember Wilma Chan. She not only managed Ms. Chan's Sacramento office, she also coordinated with other related leadership staff regarding the operation of the Assembly Floor and was responsible for supervising the Assemblymember's overall legislative agenda. From 1989-1991, she served as chief of staff and legislative director for legendary California Assemblymember John Vasconcellos. She also served as chief of staff, for over 5 years, to San Mateo County Supervisor Anna Eshoo now serving in the House of Representatives.

Hatamiya was senior advisor at Manatt, Phelps and Phillips from 1999-2001. In 2000, she was appointed by President Bill Clinton to serve on the *Parent's Advisory Council on Youth Drug Abuse* and by Secretary William Cohen to the *Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services* to explore quality of life issues. Nancy worked for Vice President Al Gore as chief of staff to the President's Crime Prevention Council from 1996-1998, and was later appointed by President Clinton as White House Liaison for the United States Office of Personnel Management from 1998-1999.

Among Nancy's proudest accomplishments, she served from 2004 to 2011 on the California Council for the Humanities Board of Directors and chaired the Board from 2008 to 2010. She was also committed to the arts, with a particular interest in Asian ceramics, and was a member of the Crocker Art Museum Board of Directors and their Collections and Acquisitions Committee. In 2002, Nancy was a member of a U.S. delegation to Japan at the invitation of Japan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs to promote U.S.-Japan relations.

Nancy was also a citizen of the world. She was born in Rome, Italy, lived in Karachi, Pakistan as a child, and attended elementary and junior high schools in the suburbs of Washington, D.C. before she graduated high school from the Jakarta International School in Jakarta, Indonesia. Hatamiya went on to study architecture and urban design at Stanford University, where she was elected to the Council of Presidents, and was the co-founder of the Asian American Theater Project. Following her college graduation, she was selected as a Coro Foundation Fellow in San Francisco.

Nancy is survived by her husband of 22 years, Lon Hatamiya, and their sons, Jon and George.