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Chu puts name in hat

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Judy Chu, Board of Equalization chairwoman, announced her interest late last night in Rep. Hilda Solis' seat. Chu lives in Monterey Park, and is a former Assemblywoman and Monterey Park councilwoman. She is married to **Assemblyman Mike Eng**.

LOS ANGELES - The race for Rep. Hilda Solis' soon-to-be vacant seat in the House of Representatives grew more crowded Monday, as California Board of Equalization Chair Dr. Judy Chu announced she intends to run.

Solis, D-El Monte, will leave a vacancy in the House of Representatives when she takes a position as Secretary of Labor in President Elect Barack Obama's cabinet.

"Today I am announcing my intent to run for the seat representing the 32nd Congressional District, parts of which I have represented for the past 23 years," Chu said in a written statement.

"In the past few days I have received many encouraging calls and e-mails from supporters and constituents urging me to run and I have decided to heed those calls," she said.