



A Tradition of Stewardship
A Commitment to Service

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS | NAPA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

CONDEMNING RACISM, DISCRIMINATION, XENOPHOBIA AND HATEFUL ACTS OF VIOLENCE – MAY 4, 2021

WHEREAS, the building of a welcoming community is fundamental to a vibrant and inclusive Napa County. We want to assure people of all races, national origins, ethnicities, gender, sexual orientation and religions opportunities for empowerment, civic engagement, safety, and freedom from discrimination, oppression and violence; and

WHEREAS, our county is a diverse one – with Latinx comprising 34.6% of Napa County's total population, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) comprising over 9% of the population, Black comprising 2.5% of the population, and American Indians and Alaska Natives comprising 1.3% of the population; and

WHEREAS, during the coronavirus pandemic, inflammatory and xenophobic rhetoric has put AAPI persons, families, communities, and businesses at risk, and have stoked unfounded fears and perpetuated stigma about Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and have contributed to increasing rates of bullying, harassment, and hate crimes against AAPI persons. Since 37% of American Canyon's population is AAPI alone, there is a significant concern of the potential negative impacts to the community as a result of the recent events. The AAPI community, cannot be blamed for COVID-19, do not represent a greater risk of spreading COVID-19, and should not be the target of continued verbal and physical attacks in any regard; and

WHEREAS, Napa County also denounces the discriminatory treatment of other marginalized communities, including Black, Latinx, indigenous, LGBTQ, women, immigrants, and other people of color who are more likely to be subject to discrimination, oppression, and acts of violence; and

WHEREAS, Napa County is dedicated to ensuring the health and well-being of all people, regardless of race, national origin, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, and religion and stands in solidarity with all of the marginalized communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that on **May 4, 2021**, the Napa County Board of Supervisors do hereby condemn racism, discrimination, xenophobia and hateful acts of violence against all people, and ask our Napa County community to join us in ensuring that every member of our community feels safe and welcome.

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