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The Clackamas County Board of Commissioners joins our voices to acknowledge the anti-Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) discrimination, harassment, and violence that has been occurring in our nation. Since the start of the pandemic, there has been an uptick in these incidences across the United States and in Oregon as well. We recognize that these events are not happening in a vacuum but have been part of a long history of anti-Asian discrimination.

To our Clackamas County Asian and Pacific Islander residents: we stand with you.

We are committed to ensuring safe, healthy, and secure communities for all people of Clackamas County. With this commitment we continue to engage in the effort to combat racism, as we have resolved to do in our Resolution Condemning Violence and Racism (June 30, 2020); listening to the needs of adversely impacted communities. We recognize that we have much work to do in this endeavor. We are grateful for the partnership with our advisory body, the Leaders for Equity Diversity and Inclusion Council, whose role is to elevate the voices of those who have been underrepresented and underserved.

We will continue to work toward the goal of ensuring that Clackamas County is a place where people thrive and have a sense of safety, connection, and belonging, so that everyone is honored and celebrated for the richness in diversity they bring.