

## In Support of Asian/Asian American Community

The acts of violence that took place Tuesday in the Atlanta area of Georgia are abhorrent. We are saddened by the eight lives that were lost – including six Asian women – by acts of gun violence. These heinous actions are a continuation of legacies of hate and the oversexualization of Asian/Asian American women and all women in general. We acknowledge the impacts these acts of violence have on Asian/Asian American communities, as well as the trauma, pain and fear they create. As an organization, we express our support of Asian/Asian American communities in our local communities, state and beyond. As school board members and educators, it is our responsibility to confront hate in all its forms. We call for collective action to not only confront hate when it occurs, but to also create safer environments through personal actions, policy development and spaces of learning.

We also encourage folks to support Asian/Asian American-owned businesses and organizations that support Asian/Asian American communities during this time.

Resources: Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon

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