

Central Connecticut State University
UNIVERSITY SENATE ACTION

Senate Motion Number FS 20.21.005R

TO: President Zulma Toro
FROM: President of the University Senate

1. The attached resolution of the University Senate, dealing with: **Resolution of Solidarity with AAPI community**, is presented to you for your consideration.
2. This resolution was adopted by the University Senate on **03/22/2021**.
3. After considering this resolution, please indicate your action on this form, and return it together with the original copy to the President of the University Senate.
4. Under the By-Laws of the University Senate, Section 3.7, the following schedule of action is to be observed.
 - a) By **05/28/2021**, Senate action reported to the President of the University. (Within five school days of the session in which they are adopted).
 - b) By **06/14/2021**, the President of the University to return the resolution to the President of the Senate. (Within ten school days of its receipt).

05/28/2021

Date

Frederic Latour, President, University Senate

ENDORSEMENT:

TO: President of the University Senate
FROM: President Zulma Toro

1. Motion Approved : _____
2. Motion Disapproved: _____ (Explanatory statement must be appended).
3. Action "is deferred": _____
4. Resolution Noted: _____ ✓
5. Other: _____

6/23/2021

Date

President Zulma Toro

RESOLUTION OF SOLIDARITY WITH AAPI COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, the history of the United States of America includes many appalling examples of discrimination against persons of Asian descent, including the enactment of the Chinese Exclusion Act in 1882 and the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II;

and WHEREAS, because the SARS-CoV-2 was first identified in China, it has been used as a pretext by some for showcasing their prejudice towards persons of Asian descent;

and WHEREAS, over 3,800 incidents of hate toward members of Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) communities have been reported to the website "Stop AAPI hate" in the last year alone, and these incidents include verbal harassment, shunning, and civil right violations, to physical attacks and recent shootings that killed eight people in Atlanta, Georgia;

and WHEREAS, no one in the United States of America should be subjected to discrimination in any form, as discrimination is antithetical to the principle that the country professes in its Declaration of Independence;

and WHEREAS, our university's website states that "Central Connecticut State University is committed to providing a safe and nondiscriminatory employment and educational environment", and that commitment stems from a recognition of the inherent dignity of every human being;

and WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of every member of the CCSU community to promote the principles of equity and inclusion that are embodied in the policies of the institution;

BE IT RESOLVED,

That the CCSU Faculty Senate abhors and condemns all instances of racism and discrimination, and in particular those targeting members of the Asian American and Pacific Islander community;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

That the CCSU Faculty Senate stands in solidarity with all faculty and students of Asian and/or Pacific Islander descent, and enjoins all faculty, students, campus and system administrators, legislators, and government officials, to contribute to the creation of a safe, welcoming, and supportive environment for all members of the community.