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Community Impact Statement
CF 21-0333 / Anti-AAPI Hate Public Messaging
April 19th, 2021

Dear Councilmembers,

The East Hollywood Neighborhood Council (EHNC) supports Councilmember Raman's motion on Council File 21-0333, which directs the Civil + Human Rights and Equity Department to coordinate with other City departments to initiate a public messaging campaign against anti-AAPI (Asian American Pacific Islander) hate speech.

These anti-AAPI hate crimes come along with an increase in racist, anti-AAPI sentiments relating to the COVID-19 virus. With a nearly 150% increase in hate crimes against members of the AAPI communities in 2020 alone, and the unspeakable tragedy of the Atlanta spa shootings of March 16, 2021, this nation is faced with its terrible reality of historic and rampant racism. Los Angeles has also seen frequent targeted attacks against members of the AAPI communities, especially against elderly individuals. Unfortunately, this is the lived reality for many individuals in our neighborhood, city, and country. Acknowledgement of that fact is the crucial first step in dismantling the racist tendencies and legacies of American society and government.

The East Hollywood Neighborhood council proudly contains the first and historic Thai Town of the United States, and strongly supports all AAPI communities. Public messaging and communications against anti-AAPI hate is one important material way to do so. Therefore, be it resolved that:

- 1) The EHNC condemns anti-AAPI violence and hate speech; and
- 2) The EHNC stands in solidarity with its AAPI neighbors and community members, and seeks to support them through the support of the passage of CF 21-0333; and
- 3) The EHNC, in its actions and statements, seeks to end such racist behavior and negative sentiments in support of creating an anti-racist, inclusive community for all; and
- 4) The EHNC stands in solidarity with AAPI communities and all communities of color as they protest and petition local and federal government against racially motivated hate crimes; and
- 5) The EHNC urges the constituent Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils to stand in solidarity with their AAPI neighbors through collective action, engagement with local AAPI groups, and open communication with support and resources regarding combating racism.

Signed,

Ninoska Suarez

Ninoska Suarez, President