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Summary: This March, Stop AAPI Hate reported that nearly 4,000 incidents of anti-Asian hate violence occurred between March 2020 and February 2021. The number of violence or harassment incidents is likely higher than this most recent report given the language and cultural barriers between government officials and law enforcement. In early April, a woman in Eagle Rock was attacked for appearing to be of Asian descent. AAPI parents are keeping their children home in fear that they will be bullied for being Asian. Per 2018 data released by AAPI Data, Los Angeles County is home to the largest AAPI population in the state. Los Angeles artists, from the fine arts to performing arts, are already raising awareness. Artists play an important role as ambassadors of their respective communities and in building community and bridging understanding between cultures. Asian and Asian-American artists are the experts in how to best reach their respective community inside the wider AAPI diaspora. They are collectively experts in how to address the most-common negative attitudes the community faces and can creatively hold a mirror up to others in an effort to combat and educate. While the Los Feliz Neighborhood Council supports anti-hate and harassment campaigns for all marginalized communities, the Pandemic has in particular exacerbated negative stereotypes and prejudicial attitudes and/or actions towards the AAPI community, resulting in subtle to appallingly violent experiences.. Therefore, an anti- AAPI violence messaging campaign and education must be a priority. We support the City Council motion to direct the recently formed Civil + Human Rights and Equity Department to initiate a public messaging campaign, in collaboration with artists from AAPI communities, against anti-hate AAPI speech.