



## SBCCD Academic Senates | Resolution S21.01

## Condemning Anti-Asian Racism and Violence

Whereas, since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, acts of racism and violence against Asians and Asian-Americans drastically increased nationwide;

Whereas, this increase in hate crimes against Asians and Asian-Americans is in addition to persistent, historical anti-Asian xenophobia that has continuously worked to harm, segregate, and stigmatize Asian Americans;

Whereas, like any community facing violence and hate, the Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) community needs the active support of others to aid in defending them against such acts;

Whereas, the false idea that any AAPI person is self-sufficient and requires neither assistance nor attention (known as the "Model Minority Myth") perpetuates the invisibility and both purposeful and passive neglect of AAPI communities; and

Whereas, silence on the part of observers condones violent, racist, and hateful acts;

Resolved, the faculty of the San Bernardino Community College District (SBCCD) condemns acts of racism, violence, and hate towards Asians and Asian Americans and works to actively support and defend those who have been harmed by all forms of anti-Asian discrimination and attacks;

Resolved, the faculty of SBCCD acknowledges the current reality of systemic racism and anti-Asian violence in our community and vows to ensure that our District becomes a welcoming space for everyone;

Resolved, the faculty of SBCCD encourages advocacy through collaborative efforts with the District to protect and support members AAPI community on our campus; and

Resolved, the SBCCD Academic Senates pledges that as faculty leaders, we will work determinedly towards transforming SBCCD so that all stakeholders are empowered to take anti-racist action to build a better future for our students, our campus, and our communities.