Stop AAPI Hate Commends Biden Administration Actions to Combat Anti-Asian Hate

March 30, 2021 — Stop AAPI Hate — one of the nation's leading coalitions documenting and addressing anti-Asian hate and discrimination — released the following statement in response to the Biden administration's “Additional Actions to Respond to Anti-Asian Violence, Xenophobia and Bias”:

“The Biden administration’s new actions indicate a positive step in the right direction for combating anti-Asian hate. The actions proposed today demonstrate the administration's serious commitment to addressing anti-Asian hate through a comprehensive, multi-faceted approach. We're heartened to see the Biden administration respond to our recommendations as well as to the needs and concerns of the entire AAPI community.

We commend the administration for reinstating the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and the appointment of a permanent director who will coordinate policies across the government. We also commend the establishment of a COVID-19 Equity Task Force, which seeks to bring a racial equity lens to addressing xenophobia and acknowledges the significant mental health concerns facing our community as a result of the rising hate. We further support the Department of Justice's initiative to coordinate and expand civil rights protections for our community. Finally, given the devastating intersection between misogyny and anti-Asian hate, we also commend the Biden administration for providing funding for AAPI survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.

The credit for these new policies belongs to the Asian American community, whose continued efforts to stand up and advocate during this time of tragedy is bringing about real change. We
look forward to working closely with the Biden administration to ensure that the Asian American community can enjoy the equal rights and access to opportunities that it deserves.”

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**About Stop AAPI Hate:**

Stop AAPI Hate is a national coalition addressing anti-Asian racism across the U.S. The coalition was founded by the Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council (A3PCON), Chinese for Affirmative Action (CAA) and San Francisco State University's Asian American Studies Department. Between March 19, 2020 and February 28, 2021, Stop AAPI Hate has received 3,795 reported incidents of racism and discrimination targeting Asian Americans across the U.S. Visit stopaapihate.org.