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Dear APASA Community,

Asian Pacific American Systemwide Alliance (APASA) at UC Davis is in solidarity with the Movement for Black Lives, and we demand justice for the many Black lives that have been lost due to militarized violence and police murders.

Author Michelle Kim wrote, "There are deep historical wounds we need to heal that exist between (non-Black) Asians and Black people, and there are fresh wounds being created everyday as we perpetuate anti-Blackness inside our communities. The oppression against Black people is perpetuated not only by White people, but us (non-Black) Asians, too: in Chinatowns all over the U.S., in Asian countries, in our workplaces, online on social media, in our daily lives."

APASA is committed to dismantling anti-Blackness in our communities, and we ask each of you to be allies, accomplices, and co-conspirators for our Black community members, friends, families, and colleagues at UC Davis and globally, including those who are Black and Asian, and Black & Pacific Islander. We see you and we love you.

In Solidarity,
APASA-UC Davis

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