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C.A.C.A. Applauds President Biden Condemning Anti-Asian Attacks in First National Address

San Francisco, March 15, 2021 — In his first prime-time address to the nation on the recovery plan for the Covid-19 pandemic, President Biden cast a national spotlight and condemnation on the surge of hateful incidents and racism against the Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) community during the pandemic. His speech on March 11, 2021, the one-year anniversary of the COVID-19 pandemic hits close to home for Asian Americans who witnessed the ongoing random acts of violence particularly targeted at the vulnerable and the respected elderly members of their community.

The Chinese American Citizens Alliance (C.A.C.A.) appreciates and applauds President Biden's forceful message for unity and solidarity: "it is wrong, it is un-American and it must stop," - words that give encouragement and hope to the AAPI community. Calling out the "vicious hate crimes against Asian Americans, who've been attacked, harassed, blamed and scapegoated," Biden added that many Asian Americans "are on the frontlines of this pandemic trying to save lives – and still are forced to live in fear for their lives just walking down streets in America."

"We appreciate President Biden using his national platform to denounce the racism surrounding the virus. It brings much needed national attention to the verbal and physical attacks directed toward the AAPI community. We hope his message of unity spurs a moment of reckoning as our country moves forward to forge unity and recovery from this pandemic," states C.A.C.A. National President Melanie Chan. "We continue to call for prompt action and attention of local law enforcement to pursue justice for our community against senseless acts of violence."

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