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## **C.A.C.A. Condemns President Trump for Repeated Use of Racist Slur in Coronavirus Blame**

San Francisco, June 26, 2020 — The Chinese American Citizens Alliance (C.A.C.A.) condemns President Donald Trump for referring the coronavirus as the “Kung Flu” in recent public forums. During the Make America Great Again! Rally in Tulsa, Oklahoma, last Saturday, June 20, the president taunted China, where the first cases of Coronavirus infections appeared. On Monday, June 22, President Trump repeated the slur in front of his supporters during a rally at the Dream City Church in Phoenix.

“It is disturbing that President Trump continues to scapegoat a nation and people because it deflects attention on the troubling ineffectual response of the Administration in stemming the spread of the virus in the country,” says C.A.C.A. National President Melanie Chan. In March, the president used racially-charged descriptions in describing the virus\* thus contributing to an escalation in anti-Asian racism globally.

“C.A.C.A. demands the president stop the inflammatory oratory and engage in constructive dialogue that leads to healing our nation torn by racial tensions, civil unrest and a public health crisis,” she adds. “By inference he also erroneously accuses all people with Chinese ancestry in this nation, including millions of citizens.”

If you feel you are a victim of a racist and xenophobic attack due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, C.A.C.A. National President Chan recommends immediately contacting your local law enforcement and any of the following hate crimes reporting websites:

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) – Civil Rights/Hate Crimes: [www.fbi.gov/contact-us](http://www.fbi.gov/contact-us)

National Center for Victims of Crime: [victimsofcrime.org/](http://victimsofcrime.org/)

Asian Americans Advancing Justice’s Stand Against Hatred: [www.standagainsthatred.org/](http://www.standagainsthatred.org/)

OCA Asian Pacific American Advocates Hate Incident Reporting Website: [aapihatecrimes.org](http://aapihatecrimes.org)

Stop AAPI Hate Reporting Center: [www.a3pcon.org/stopaapihate](http://www.a3pcon.org/stopaapihate) “

\*See C.A.C.A. News Release “C.A.C.A. Condemns President Trump’s Reference of COVID 19 as ‘Chinese Virus’” (March 18, 2020). [www.cacanational.org/CACA\\_pdf/news\\_release\\_CACA\\_Condemns\\_Trump\\_Chinese\\_Virus\\_March2020.pdf](http://www.cacanational.org/CACA_pdf/news_release_CACA_Condemns_Trump_Chinese_Virus_March2020.pdf)



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The Chinese American Citizens Alliance, established in 1895, is among the oldest civil rights organizations in the United States. Headquartered in San Francisco with chapter/lodges in Albuquerque (NM), Boston (MA), Chicago (IL), Greater San Gabriel Valley (CA), Greater New York (NY), Houston (TX), Las Vegas (NV), Los Angeles (CA), Mississippi, Oakland (CA), Orange County (CA), Peninsula (CA), Portland (OR), Phoenix (AZ), Sacramento (CA), Salinas (CA), San Antonio (TX), San Francisco (CA), Seattle (WA) and Washington, D.C., the Alliance addresses issues regarding voter education, political participation, racial discrimination and hate crimes, and supports youth leadership training programs and equal employment opportunities for all Chinese Americans.