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Statement from BAR About Recent Anti-Asian Hate Incidents

Incidents of violence against those of Asian descent have been accelerating since the beginning of the pandemic.

Now we are confronted with a series of senseless murders that fill us with sadness and horror. Acts of hatred betray our most cherished and sacred values. Whenever we label someone as "other," or somehow blame an entire group for problems that they never created, it diminishes us all.

Belmont Against Racism stands against all forms of racism. We believe that everyone should feel valued and treated with dignity.

Let us make sure that our fellow residents of Asian heritage feel welcome and safe in our community.

Belmont Against Racism, Board of Directors

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