A Message from Chancellor Yang

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Dear Members of Our Campus Community,

The images of George Floyd shake us deeply to our core, as do the recent killings of Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, and Tony McDade. Our hearts are heavy and we are profoundly saddened and outraged. We are yet again, as a university community and as a country, confronted by acts of injustice that are beyond measure.

On behalf of the UC Santa Barbara community, we offer our sincere and heartfelt condolences to the families of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, and Tony McDade. But words have little meaning unless we also recognize the devastating effects of racism and discrimination on our country. In an earlier message to our campus community from the Office of Black Student Development, we are reminded that our UC Santa Barbara Principles of Community “are not just a value statement, but a call to action to enact inclusion daily and to stand up to injustice.”

We share the anguish, outrage, and grief of our black community. We stand together in solidarity against hate and injustice.

We know that many in our campus community also are affected by the recent events, and we want to express our care, concern, and support, and to remind you of resources that may be of help.

Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS) at (805) 893-4411 or by submitting a CAPS Services Request. Counselors are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Academic & Staff Assistance Program (ASAP) is available at (805) 893-3318 or asap@hr.ucsb.edu.

Office of Black Student Development (OBSD): obsd@sa.ucsb.edu

Sincerely,

Henry T. Yang
Chancellor

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NOTE: For anyone who is in need of support, there are many additional campus partners to assist with your needs. The following was listed after the link and placed below the Chancellor's message for ease of viewing.

- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI): brettcollins@ucsb.edu
- Student Affairs - Equity and Inclusion: erinburke@ucsb.edu
- Resource Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity (RCSGD): rcsgd@sa.ucsb.edu

“Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere”
-Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.