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## **CLTA Statement Against Anti-Asian Violence**

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The Chinese Language Teachers Association (CLTA) is a professional organization that aims to promote the learning and understanding of Chinese language and culture in the United States and beyond. At the CLTA, we are saddened and deeply concerned over the recently reported violent incidents against members of Asian American communities in the United States. These events are tragic and horrific, and they remind us of the struggles for equity and justice that Asian American communities, including many Chinese Americans, have endured throughout U.S. history. As teachers of Chinese language and culture, we also recognize our tremendous responsibilities to connect communities and groups, facilitate multilingualism and multiculturalism, and cultivate an appreciation for diversity.

To our members and colleagues, we are here to support you personally and professionally through this difficult time. To our students, whether or not you are of Asian descent, we believe you are our current and future allies. The CLTA stands in solidarity with other communities against all forms of racial and gender discrimination, xenophobia, and violence. While we are still processing these traumatic events as individuals, as educators, and as parents, we hope that in the future our work can help bring about much-needed change.