To Penn State Community,

The Paul Robeson Cultural Center (PRCC) would like to express our deepest support for the Asian-American & Chinese International communities regarding the overt acts of racism, bigotry and xenophobia you are experiencing as a result of the coronavirus. We are united with you and stand in solidarity with all people who identify as Asian, in addition to their families, friends and loved ones who have been impacted. We further acknowledge the media’s and politician’s xenophobic response, as it impacts our friends and colleagues.

We have long held space for those with Asian identities in the PRCC. Being a member of the Penn State community, you deserve to feel safe to be yourself and take care of your needs in this tough time for all of us. If you have been or know of someone that has been a victim of an act of bigotry, discrimination or harassment know that you can reach out to any of the staff members in the PRCC at the following email, or go to http://equity.psu.edu/reportbias to report the act committed.

Carlos Wiley caw53@psu.edu

Jenny Sak JennySak@psu.edu

Angelina Jenkins arj5308@psu.edu

Fallan Frank fsf12@psu.edu

Dylan Abrams dja5115@psu.edu

We stand in solidarity with the Asian members of the Penn State community, along with our connecting communities and families. With you, we stand in opposition to oppression and hate, and will continue to work on dismantling oppression, both personally and professionally. We will also continue to advocate for non-violent and inclusive spaces centered on affirming and understanding your identity both at Penn State and the greater community at large.

Tune in Friday, April 17, 2020 at 4:00PM for conversation with Phil Yu (The Angry Asian Man) and Director of PRCC at psuprcc Instagram.

In Solidarity,

PRCC Staff