Statement from the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities
Board of Directors on Anti-Asian Violence and Discrimination
and the March 16th Shootings

The Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities (CCD) decries the March 16th murders of
eight individuals including six Asian American women in Atlanta, Georgia and all
violence and discrimination against Asians and Asian Americans. We mourn the eight
people killed on the 16th: Soon Chung Park, Sunchta Kim, Xiaojie Tan, Yong Ae Yue,
Hyun Jung Grant, Delaina Ashley Yaun, Daoyou Feng, and Paul Andre Michels.

Anti-Asian racism is deeply rooted in ableism, relying in part on offensive depictions of
Asians as inferior. Anti-Asian violence harms all Asian and Asian American Pacific
Islanders, including those living with disabilities and their families. The COVID-19
pandemic has disproportionately impacted Asians and Asian Americans in the U.S.,
along with Black, Indigenous and other communities of color. In addition, there has
been an increase in violence against Asians and Asian Americans with STOP AAPI
Hate reporting nearly 4,000 incidents in the past year. CCD acknowledges that
discrimination and violence are rooted in white supremacy and this nation’s history. We
stand in solidarity with those demanding justice and who reject systemic and structural
oppression, misogyny, and racism.

CCD calls on our members to listen to and learn from Asian American Pacific Islander
communities and advocates. CCD also calls on government and elected officials to
reform policies and practices that allow racism and misogyny to flourish.

Following are a petition and resources we hope will prove useful (listed alphabetically):

- Asia Society Webinar, “Understanding the Impact of COVID-19 on Asian
  Americans: https://asiasociety.org/texas/events/webcast-understanding-impact-
  covid-19-asian-americans
- Asian Americans Advancing Justice: https://www.advancingjustice-aajc.org/
- Asian Americans for Civil Rights and Equality: http://aacre.org/
- Asian Mental Health Collective: https://www.asianmhc.org/
- National Asian Pacific American Women’s Forum (NAPAWF) Resources:
  https://www.napawf.org
- NAPAWF Petition to All Elected Officials to Center the Needs of Those Most
  Impacted: https://www.napawf.org/stopasianhate
- NAPAWF Sign-on to Testimony Regarding Violence and Discrimination against Asian American Women (due 3/25 @ 22 pm ET): https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc1M3ILW_qdntS4s0WhSXyqTH8JwcMsqJJdd6uz1g-QGOKudg/viewform?gxids=7628
- Red Canary Song: https://www.redcanarysong.net/
- Red Canary Song Response to 8 Lives Lost in Atlanta and sign-on: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_Q0mFJnivTZL5fcCS7eUZn9EhOJ1XHtFBGOGqvaUY/edit
- Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Center Care Package: https://smithsonianapa.org/care/
- Stop AAPI Hate - Actions to Take and Incident Tracker: https://stopaapihate.org/