**Press Statement**

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**MMTC Stands with and Supports FCC ACDDE’s Statement**

**Condemning Recent Violence Against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders**

WASHINGTON, D.C. (March 30, 2021): The Multicultural Media, Telecom and Internet Council (MMTC) stands with other members of the Federal Communications Commission’s (FCC) Advisory Committee on Diversity and Digital Empowerment (ACDDE) in support of the following statement regarding recent violence against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders:

“Hateful acts against communities of color have no place in our society. The nationwide increase in violence against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) is unacceptable. The horrendous tragedy in Atlanta is the latest and most detestable act of violence against the AAPI community. According to Stop AAPI Hate, from March 2020 to February 2021, there have been 3,795 reported hate incidents, including acts of verbal harassment, shunning and avoidance, and physical attacks. We condemn the acts and words of hate and violence toward a community that is as much a part of the fabric of our nation as any other. The ACDDE expresses full support for the AAPI community and will continue to uplift our goals of diversity, equity, and inclusion."

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**About MMTC:**
The Multicultural Media, Telecom and Internet Council (MMTC) is a non-partisan, national nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting equal access and representation in tech, media, and telecommunications through opportunity creation, awareness building, and advocacy.