

CALL TO ACTION

HARRIS COUNTY DECLARES RACISM A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS

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EMAIL SCRIPT

Copy/Paste or Write in your own words

Dear (County Official/Representative/ Senator last name),

In Texas; Harris County, Dallas County, San Antonio, and Austin have declared racism a public health crisis. These declarations affirm that systemic, institutional, and other forms of racism drive disparities across employment, housing, education, the justice system, healthcare, and other determinants of health. These declarations also amplify acknowledging that state and local governments must lead efforts to eradicate racism's impacts to achieve the conditions that create optimal health for all genuinely. During the COVID-19 pandemic alone, we have seen how the disease has disproportionately affected BIPOC communities in the workforce, in the healthcare they receive, and the barriers to receiving vaccines. As your constituent I demand that you support these declarations to provide racial equity within the state of Texas. I look forward to hearing back from you.

Thank you for being apart of eradicating racism,
(Your Name)

FOLLOW UP WITH REPRESENTATIVE WITHIN TWO WEEKS

- Find your state representative at Texas Legislator website [HTTPS://CAPITOL.TEXAS.GOV/HOME.ASPXT](https://capitol.texas.gov/home.aspx)
- Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo [HTTPS://CJO.HARRISCOUNTYTX.GOV/CONTACT](https://cjo.harriscountytx.gov/contact)
- Commisioner Rodney Ellis Precient 1 [HTTPS://WWW.HCP1.NET/COMMISSIONERRODNEYELLIS](https://www.hcp1.net/commissionerrodneyellis)
- Commisioner Adrain Garcia Precient 2 [HTTPS://WWW.HCP2.COM/ABOUT](https://www.hcp2.com/about)
- Commisioner Tom Ramsey Precient 3 [HTTPS://WWW.PCT3.COM/CONTACT](https://www.pct3.com/contact)
- Commisioner R. Jack Cagle Precient 4 [HTTPS://WWW.HCP4.NET/COMMISSIONER/](https://www.hcp4.net/commissioner/)
- Teneshia Hudspeth Harris County Clerk [HTTPS://WWW.CCLERK.HCTX.NET/CONTACTUS.ASPX](https://www.cclerk.hctx.net/contactus.aspx)

As members of the (BIPOC) Black, Indigenous, and people of color communities, it is imperative that we come together to fight policies that are racist and harmful to our communities. There is power in our voice!