



Elimin8hate Campaign Organizers  
c/o Vancouver Asian Film Festival (VAFF)

June 17, 2020

**Re: Letter in support of Elimin8hate**

On behalf of the South Asian Canadian community and the Komagata Maru Heritage Foundation, I would like to stand by PCHC-Museum of Migration Society and the organizers of Elimin8hate in addressing the recent increase in Anti-Asian racial incidents and systemic racism against people of colour, especially indigenous and black folks.

At the Komagata Maru Heritage Foundation we have been working to make sure historical wrongs against South Asian Canadians are addressed and not forgotten. We also work hand in hand with other communities, especially those who believe that it is important for us to work across ethnic boundaries to build a more inclusive and equitable Canada.

We applaud the Vancouver Asian Film Festival (VAFF) and Project 1907 for heading up the Elimin8hate Campaign, especially in providing tools and resources to encourage other organizations and individuals to take actions and speak out against racism and hate. We would encourage our community members to do what they can to ensure all the progress we have made in addressing historical wrongs against the Chinese, Japanese and Indo Canadians in the last few decades will not be wiped out, but will be the foundation upon which Canadians can work to seek true reconciliation with our hosts – indigenous communities – and other groups such as black Canadians, who are still bearing the brunt of systemic racism as evident in recent reports across the country.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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