Dear Supervisors,

My name is Jim, and I'm writing today to urge you to approve the resolution made by Supervisor Cortese, and co-sponsored by Board President Chavez, declaring racism as a public health crisis in Santa Clara County.

Conversations about race are not always easy, but must be had. Acts of racist violence and bigotry have made it clearer than ever before that racism is a significant threat to the public. Santa Clara County is home to a diverse population of races and cultures. This does not mean we are immune to experiencing racism and xenophobia however. The events of the past month should stand as a clear reminder that we must all address this issue together.

I believe strongly that we are all equal, and that the content of our character is the sole factor for which we should be judged. This declaration stands as one small piece of a global movement that is unstoppable. I hope you will join me in unequivocally recognizing this threat.

Thank you,
James

Sent from my iPhone