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**STATEMENT ON MASS SHOOTINGS AND RISE IN ASIAN AMERICAN HATE CRIMES**

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(Lacey, WA) --- We grieve for the families of mass shooting victims in Atlanta and condemn acts of violence against any targeted group. A recent rise in crimes against Asian Americans has occurred here in Washington and across our country. WASPC strongly condemns violence and acts of hate. WASPC members will continue to arrest and hold accountable people who commit bias based crimes. We are committed to continued outreach to AAPI communities and stand together against hate crimes.

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*About WASPC:*

WASPC was founded in 1963 and consists of executive and top management personnel from law enforcement agencies statewide. With more than 900 members it includes the 39 elected county sheriffs, and 240 police chiefs, as well as the Washington State Patrol, the Washington Department of Corrections, and representatives of Tribal and federal agencies.

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WASPC is the only association of its kind in the nation combining representatives from local, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement into a single body, working toward a common goal. WASPC's function is to provide specific materials and services to all law enforcement agencies in the state, members, and non-members alike.

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