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STATEMENT ON INCIDENT AT FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL, FRANKLIN, WI

FRANKLIN, WI - The NAACP, the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) of Wisconsin, and the Jewish Community Relations Council of the Milwaukee Jewish Federation are deeply concerned about the events that transpired at Franklin High School.

It has been reported and acknowledged that there was a posting of "White" and "Colored" signs over a set of school water fountains. While we appreciate that administrators issued a statement disavowing this despicable action, the incident demonstrates the need for the school and the district to take immediate and ongoing action to make the school more inclusive and respectful of different cultures.

Unfortunately, Franklin High School, like many schools and districts, does not recognize or celebrate the federal holiday recognizing the achievements of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. We ask that the district consider changing that policy. Today's action highlights the urgency of taking actions to ensure that the school celebrates tolerance and inclusion as part of its curriculum and culture.