

## Latino Commission's Statement on Violence in Charlottesville, VA

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**New York, NY** - "Hate, racism, discrimination, and bigotry must never be met with silence or half-hearted rebukes, stated Guillermo Chacon," President of the Latino Commission on AIDS and Founder of the Hispanic Health Network. The events that unfolded in Charlottesville are a reminder that the racism and white supremacy that has been allowed to fester for generations has recently been heightened by the policies and rhetoric of our current administration. There are no two sides. Donald Trump's refusal to clearly condemn white supremacists, white nationalists, neo-Nazis, and the 'alt-right' is a failure of leadership. Everyone, must explicitly and unequivocally condemn this violent extremism. "We cannot accept excuses for white supremacy and acts of domestic terrorism. We must condemn them. Period." Stated Luis Scaccabarozzi, Senior Director of Health Policy & Advocacy.

"The Latino Commission offers our condolences to the families of Heather D. Heyer, Virginia Lt. H. Jay Cullen, Trooper Berke M.M. Bates who died in Charlottesville and to all those who were injured. Today and every day, we must be outraged by this kind of prejudice, hate crimes, and domestic terrorism in our nation." stated Guillermo Chacon.

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