ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF CSU, CHICO STATEMENT DENOUNCING RACISM
June 15, 2020

The Associated Students of CSU, Chico (AS) and its students have seen the injustice prevalent in our Black community and we have had enough. We denounce the racist and terrorizing tactics that resulted in the death of George Floyd and many other Black community members by the hands of police in the United States. We denounce systemic racism plaguing the Black community. We stand with our Black students, faculty, and staff and support the cry for change in our country through safe and peaceful protesting. Inequity on our campus exists as long as our educational system is built upon the foundation of systemic racism. As the Associated Students, we know it is part of our responsibility to address this issue with progressive action that eradicates the roots of systematic oppression at every level. Over the last week, our desire has been to not only denounce racism, but also commit to ACTIONABLE change on our campus. However, the AS knows the only way we can even begin to address systemic racism, inequity, and recognition of our Black community on campus is by listening to those voices and their concerns. We see you, we desire to listen, and we want our communities of color on campus to be the ones to guide our organization in what action we take next. We know there is a long road ahead, but we are committed to the work as the representatives of the student voice.