

Urban Alliance on Race Relations (UARR) condemns recent assaults against Asian Canadians and calls for action by York Region Police and political leaders

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The Urban Alliance on Race Relations joins other community groups in calling for action by York Region Police and political leaders to stop the recent assaults against Asian Canadian fishermen.

“We are outraged to read about what’s happened to Asian Canadians fishing on the shore of Lake Simcoe,” says Sri-Guggan Sri-Skanda-Rajah, president of UARR. “It’s even more incredulous when we learn that there has been a local practice of attacking innocent Asian Canadians and laughing it off as ‘nippertipping’, a derogatory term. This is totally unacceptable.”

“We expect more of our fellow citizens, the police and political leaders,” says Tam Goossen, vice president of UARR. “It is a total shock to hear of such hate-motivated incidents happening in today’s Ontario. It is a challenge that community and political leaders must take up to make Ontario a truly inclusive province. Silence is not an option.”

Urban Alliance on Race Relations is a non-profit, community-based organization established in 1975. Our mission is to work with all Ontarians to build an equitable and inclusive society for all.

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