



Chinese American Alliance

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CONDEMN THE RACIST ADVERTISEMENT OF SUBURBAN EXPRESS

The Chinese American Alliance(CAA), is deeply disturbed by the reports of the blatantly Anti-Asian emails sent by Suburban Express, an Illinois-based regional bus transportation company. As a Chinese American organization, we are acutely aware of the racial tensions that have been part of the national conversation over the past decade.

The company advertisement stated that "You won't feel like you're in China when you're on our buses." The company seemed to double down on their racism with a non-apologetic "apology" email. Imagine the media and public outcry if they had substituted "Africa" for "China"???

As was reported by the Daily Illini in 2014 the owners have had a history of being accused of treating foreign students poorly. <https://dailyillini.com/news/2014/12/16/suburban-express-re-files-lawsuits-bans-highland-park-passengers/>

CAA understands the economic impact of International student enrollment at our State Universities and surrounding communities and believes that qualified-capable students from different cultures on campus enhance students' educational experiences better preparing them for a more a global environment.

CAA encourages the active condemnation of racism and discrimination against any minority. First Amendment rights should be defended. Individuals have the right to say ugly racist things. But if the company broke laws by their actions we strongly support the investigation by the State's Attorney General. Beyond the legal actions taken by the authorities.

CAA encourages members and supporters to take action. Write or call your state representative and other elected officials, spread the word throughout all of your communities that this is not acceptable! We need to show that our community is strong and that our voices need to be heard. And as the "model minority" who has experienced some financial successes, we can certainly vote with our dollars!

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Chuck Li (Dec 6, 2017)
President of Chinese American Alliance

Mission of CAA is to promote the conservative values of traditional American families. We aim to safeguard the right to equal protection, with an emphasis on Chinese and Asian American communities. We also strive to foster dialogue and ensure fair opportunities among all Americans.

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