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Freedom Fighters and Friends,

Millions of Americans have made their voices heard in one of the most pivotal elections of our time. We extend our gratitude to everyone who voted, affirming the power of democracy and the importance of those who tirelessly seek justice and equality.

As November unfolds, we recognize the unease and uncertainty many in our community feel. Yet, during challenging times, our resilience to reimagine and rebuild strengthens. Inspired by the enduring grace of those around us, we hold to a vision that centers care—both for ourselves and our community—as the foundation for meaningful change.

Today, we renew our commitment to creating a political and social climate that includes all voices, especially those historically marginalized and silenced. We are inspired by young leaders, educators, and advocates who are courageously addressing injustices and envisioning a future grounded in equity and inclusivity. Our mission is about more than one election; it is about sustainable change toward a liberated society for all.

Regardless of the political landscape, the NAACP Santa Rosa- Sonoma Branch stands steadfast in our mission to protect and uplift the civil rights of Black and marginalized communities. Our dedication to justice, equity, and the dignity of all people remains unshakable. This moment calls for resilience and vigilance, and we are prepared to meet it with unwavering resolve.

Our priorities are clear and essential:

1. **Advancing Racial Justice:** Confronting discriminatory practices and working toward a truly equitable society.
2. **Building an Inclusive Economy:** Advocating for economic structures that prioritize communities of color.
3. **Achieving Health Equity:** Fighting for affordable, quality healthcare and addressing health disparities impacting Black communities.
4. **Promoting Environmental Justice:** Safeguarding communities of color from pollution and advancing climate justice.
5. **Securing Equal Access to Education:** Ensuring every child has the resources and opportunities to thrive.
6. **Defending Women's Rights:** Protecting women's access to reproductive healthcare, workplace rights, and autonomy.
7. **Protecting Voting Rights:** Defending the right of every citizen to participate freely in democracy.

Our mission is long and challenging, but together, with resilience and purpose, we press forward, undeterred and unwavering. This is not the end of our journey; it is a renewed beginning. We are ready to move forward with bold ideas and steadfast advocacy. We invite our community to join us in building a future where justice, equality, and opportunity are realities for all.

Together, we are stronger. Together, we will continue to build a path forward where every voice is valued, every community is respected, and every individual can thrive.

In Community,

Kirstyne A. Lange
President, NAACP Santa Rosa - Sonoma County Branch

About the NAACP:

The NAACP advocates, agitates, and litigates for the civil rights due to Black America. Our legacy, rooted in grassroots activism by 20th-century civil rights pioneers, is sustained by 21st-century advocates. From classrooms and courtrooms to city halls and Congress, our nationwide network works to end race-based discrimination and secure social and political power for all marginalized people. Our commitment is to a world free from racism, where Black communities and all marginalized people thrive. The **Santa Rosa - Sonoma County NAACP Branch #1074**, chartered in January 1953, is a 501(c)4 civil rights organization.