



Statement on Social Media Post by PAUSD Trustee Rowena Chiu

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The Santa Clara County Democratic Party condemns the reposting by Palo Alto Unified School District (PAUSD) Trustee Rowena Chiu of a post on X (formerly Twitter) that villainized a PAUSD staff member, identified the employee by name, and included the employee's photograph. Comments on the post included racist insults of the employee, which Chiu's reposting further broadcast.

Members of all communities that have experienced bias have a right to share their lived experience and to share their perspective as informed by that experience. It's also true that elected officials always have an obligation to communicate in ways that do not expose district personnel to harm, harassment, or abuse, and Trustee Chiu's reposting of the post in question did not meet that standard.