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Dear Colleagues,

Yesterday we saw our democratic system attacked in a way that we have never seen before. Plain and simple, white supremacy is real, and we saw it in action as we watched the US Capitol violently sieged and taken hostage by people committed first and foremost to racist politics.

United Faculty is committed to anti-racism, racial justice, and equity, and we should not be surprised that white supremacy groups are acting out against the changes that are finally happening in our country through individual, local, and state actions. We cannot allow ourselves to be complacent—we must be proactive. There is a lot of work for us to do, but we are a strong faculty body together as we uphold the work of the Black Lives Matter Taskforce and the Racial Justice and Equity Committee.

Together We Rise is not a platitude—it is a truth. Union work is the work of equity and inclusion, and each of us together make change happen.

In Unity,

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