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The Honorable Ayanna Pressley  
United States House of Representatives  
1108 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Elizabeth Warren  
United States Senate  
309 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Barbara Lee  
United States House of Representatives  
2470 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

RE: In support of S.162 and H.R.666 The Anti-Racism in Public Health Act

Dear Representative Pressley, Senator Warren, and Representative Lee,

On behalf of the undersigned organizations which represent physicians, physicians in training, medical students and undergraduate students aspiring to become physicians, and other health care professionals, we thank you for introducing S.162 and H.R.666 The Anti-Racism in Public Health Act. As organizations that value and promote equity and public health, and that denounce racism and inequity, we are very pleased to endorse your legislation, which would ensure that structural racism is declared a public health crisis and confront the impact of structural racism on public health through two greatly needed programs within the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

It is clear that structural racism has resulted in profound disparities in social determinants of health, including but not limited to quality housing, education, food, and transportation, and is a significant barrier to achieving health equity and in eliminating persistent and profound inequities in health outcomes affecting people and communities of color throughout the United States.

Thank you for your leadership on this critical issue. We urge the U.S. Senate and the U.S. House of Representatives to work with you to swiftly approve this legislation and are eager to help you in that goal.

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Sincerely,

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American Medical Association  
American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists  
American College of Physicians  
American College of Preventive Medicine  
American Medical Student Association  
American Physician Scientists Association  
Asian Pacific American Medical Student Association  
Doctors for America  
GLMA: Health Professionals Advancing LGBTQ Equality  
Medical Student Pride Alliance  
National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health  
National Council of Asian Pacific Islander Physicians  
National Hispanic Medical Association  
Physicians for Human Rights  
Student Osteopathic Medical Association

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