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Public Call with Chair Catherine E. Lhamon & Vice Chair Patricia Timmons-Goodson

In the Name of Hate: Examining the Federal Government's Role in Responding to Hate Crimes

Wednesday, November 13, 2019 | 3:30 pm ET

WHAT:

On November 13, Chair Catherine E. Lhamon and Vice Chair Patricia Timmons-Goodson will hold a public conference call on the Commission's forthcoming report, *In the Name of Hate: Examining the Federal Government's Role in Responding to Hate Crimes.* In response to increased reports of hate crimes including horrific acts of bias-motivated violence, the Commission voted to investigate the federal government's role in combating hate crimes. In particular, the Commission examined three areas: federal law enforcement's hate crimes reporting practices and local policies being developed to encourage greater reporting; federal prosecution and enforcement of laws regarding hate crimes and bias-motivated incidents; and prevention of federal crimes based on race, national origin, ethnicity, disability, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

In May 2018, the Commission held a full-day <u>public briefing</u>, hearing from federal and local law enforcement experts, state and federal policy makers, community leaders, impacted family members, and the public about federal and local responses to these heinous acts. The <u>morning</u>, <u>afternoon</u>, <u>public comment</u> sessions and the briefing <u>transcript</u> are available for review.

The Commission's Massachusetts, Maine, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming state Committees have recently carried out work to address hate crimes, helping inform the Commission and the report.

In the Name of Hate, based on expert and public input, research and analysis, will offer actionable recommendations to the President, Congress, federal agencies and law enforcement entities.

WHO:

<u>Catherine E. Lhamon</u>, Chair, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights <u>Patricia Timmons-Goodson</u>, Vice Chair, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

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WHERE:

Public teleconference: Call-in line: 800-353-6461 | Conference ID: 8763983 *Callers will have the opportunity to ask questions about the report* Participants are encouraged to RSVP to <u>publicaffairs@usccr.gov</u>

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