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SACRAMENTO—Four Sacramento area chambers of commerce released today a joint statement in response to passage of Proposition 8, which eliminated the right of same-sex couples to marry in California. The joint statement by the four “diversity” business organizations calls for a continued unified voice in support of equality for all people.

“The Sacramento Black Chamber of Commerce, Sacramento Asian Chamber of Commerce, Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and Sacramento Rainbow Chamber of Commerce have for some time and continue to work together in support of equal rights for all people, regardless of ethnicity, religion, physical ability, sexual orientation or gender identity. We respect the right of all individuals to express their personal beliefs and encourage everyone to support those businesses and individuals who support equality for all.

“Representatives of our four organizations will be in attendance at the annual Awards Dinner of the Sacramento Black Chamber of Commerce to be held tonight, Nov. 13. We stand in unified opposition to any boycott or demonstration against tonight’s event in response to the perceived role of black voters in the passage of Proposition 8.”

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