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The South Asian Bar Association of Dallas (SABA Dallas) and the South Asian Bar Association of North America (SABA North America) are deeply troubled by recent rhetoric in Frisco, TX that portrays Indian Americans and the broader South Asian community in a negative, divisive, and misleading manner.

The South Asian community is an integral part of the Dallas–Fort Worth community. In Frisco and across North Texas, our community contributes meaningfully to local businesses, schools, health care systems, technology, public service, and civic life. Families, professionals, and small business owners from our community live, work, and invest in this region, helping to build strong and thriving neighborhoods.

We strongly reject narratives that frame Indian Americans or South Asians as “taking over” or as detracting from society. Such characterizations are false and harmful. Such statements ignore the reality that the South Asian community has played a constructive and positive role in the growth and well-being of the larger population. Language that portrays an entire ethnic or national-origin group as a threat promotes fear, ignores facts and ultimately results in fostering resentment and division.

As organizations of legal professionals dedicated to civil rights and equal protection under the law, SABA Dallas and SABA North America are particularly concerned when public discourse shifts toward collective blame or stigmatization based on race, ethnicity, or national origin.

We encourage public officials, community leaders, and residents throughout North Texas to speak up against language that promotes division and to affirm that belonging and contribution in Frisco, in Dallas–Fort Worth, and in the United States are not conditional on race, ethnicity, or national origin. A strong community depends on neighbors standing together, rejecting scapegoating, and upholding the principles of dignity, equality, and justice for all.

SABA Dallas and SABA North America stand in solidarity with the South Asian community and remain committed to working with partners across the region and nationwide to promote inclusion, understanding, and equal protection under the law.

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