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*EMBRACING THE HOPES AND ASPIRATIONS OF ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICANS*

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**ACTION ALERT**

***OCA-GLA CONDEMNS FOX TV HOST BOB BECKEL'S XENOPHOBIC REMARKS,  
CALLS FOR RESIGNATION***

OCA-Greater Los Angeles condemns the racist and xenophobic remarks made by Bob Beckel on July 10th's broadcast of *The Five*. We call for his resignation and encourage OCA-GLA members as well as the greater Asian Pacific American community to join us in this effort by contacting Fox News individually to demand action.

*The Five* show: [thefive@foxnews.com](mailto:thefive@foxnews.com)

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Beckel's statement that "Chinamen" are "the single biggest threat to the national security of the U.S." is fear-mongering at its worst and ignorance at its best. His baseless beliefs, which he has shared on air with millions of viewers, are damaging to Asian Pacific Americans nationwide. The contributions of Chinese immigrants to California and to the United States are tremendous. From the Transcontinental Railroad to today's small businesses and thriving tech economy, Chinese Americans are rooted in American history yet are missing in the historical record. We are unrepresented in American textbooks and our identities are stripped by irresponsible media who continue to cast us as foreigners.

Bob Beckel's xenophobic remarks about Chinese people sets race relations backwards by more than 100 years. The statement is reminiscent of the "Yellow Peril" association that haunted generations of Chinese Americans and other Asian Pacific Americans throughout the 19th and 20th centuries, which led to institutionally racist policies depriving Chinese Americans of their civil liberties, such as the 1882 Chinese Exclusion Act.

Personalities like Beckel are given a platform that Chinese Americans and other ethnic minorities are consistently denied—a platform that should be used responsibly and thoughtfully. OCA-GLA demands that Bob Beckel resign and that Fox News take responsibility for the repeatedly derogatory statements of their employee.

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**ABOUT OCA-GREATER LOS ANGELES**

Founded in 1973, OCA is a national organization dedicated to advancing the social, political, and economic well-being of Asian Pacific Americans in the United States. OCA-Greater Los Angeles is one of more than 40 chapters nationwide.

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