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County Board Supervisors Condemn Hate Speech Used by Stubbs Supporter at Confirmation Hearing

Black colleagues of the Dane County Board were the target of racial hate speech during the public comment portion of the meeting Thursday. A supporter of Stubbs called Black members, particularly 2nd Vice Chair April Kigeza who was present, a racial slur born out of the darkest time in our country's history.

Attempts to disparage our colleagues with racial slurs and intimidate them from doing the job they were elected to do is unacceptable and we condemn it. The County Board will not tolerate such abuse.

We appreciate the leadership our Black colleagues provide in addressing important and challenging policy issues. We proudly stand with them in their dedicated public service.

Sincerely,

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