



From the Office of the President

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**Message from President Fitzgibbons
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Dear Regis Community,

A member of our beloved community was the target of a cowardly and ugly anti-Semitic threat. Unfortunately, this is not the first time such a disturbing incident has been reported on the Northwest Denver Campus. This causes pain for the Jewish members of our multi-faith community and for all of us who stand in solidarity and fellowship.

When hate occurs, we must not be silent. We all must be vigilant and speak out against all forms of hate in every aspect of our lives. We must promote loving kindness.

The University takes this incident very seriously. We will investigate the incident thoroughly and we have reported it to the Denver Police Department.

Fighting hate requires us all to be engaged. Here are three ways we can act:

- **Rise Up:** Let us actively respond to hate. Do not let hate go unchallenged. Speak up and speak out; do not remain silent. Let us use our voices to denounce bigotry in all its forms, and let us join our voices together to signal that our community respects all people.
- **Pull Together:** Those who incite hate often do so to divide communities. Do not let hate tear us apart; we must pull together. Let us keep our community strong.
- **Teach Tolerance:** Hate thrives in darkness. Let us speak openly and often about the pain, anger and challenges we face in our lives. Do not miss an opportunity to support victims, confront ignorance and teach acceptance.

Our work promoting inclusivity and tolerance continues. I ask you to join me as an active partner in this important work.

Respectfully,

John P. Fitzgibbons, S.J.
President