



May 23, 2021

Dear Members of Our Campus Community,

It is with honor and a heavy heart that we join together virtually as a community to reflect on the seventh anniversary of the tragic events that took place in Isla Vista on May 23, 2014. We remember and celebrate the beautiful lives of those we lost, keeping them forever in our hearts.

- George Chen,
- Katherine Cooper,
- James Hong,
- Christopher Michaels-Martinez,
- David Wang,
- and Veronika Weiss.

Even though we are still not able to gather together, these virtual remembrance events provide us with an opportunity to be united in upholding the memories of the precious lives lost. This also gives us an opportunity to recognize the many ways in which our campus and the IV community have collaborated and connected. We use this time to pause and reflect, to honor our history and celebrate the strength of our future, and to appreciate the resilient spirit of our community that we treasure so much.

I would like to thank our Associated Students and Student Affairs for their leadership in organizing this occasion for commemoration and contemplation. Let us take this moment to continue to strengthen our community, to be unified in spirit, and to keep the light of our six students, shining brightly and eternally as we carry the torch of their memory.

Sincerely,

Henry T. Yang
Chancellor