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The Toledo Community Coalition condemns the hate-filled, racist social-media posts of Susan Allan Block during racial-justice protests in 2020 and following the Jan. 6 storming of the U.S. Capitol by supporters of President Donald Trump.

As a business and civic leader in Toledo, and former director of Block Communications, Inc., owner of The Blade and Buckeye Broadband, her online comments referring to Vice President-Elect Kamala Harris as a "whore," and Black Lives Matters protesters as "animals," are unacceptable.

TCC encourages Susan Allan Block to visit the website of YWCA of Northwest Ohio – ywcanwo.org -- which provides many racial-justice resources she could participate in. The YWCA offers Dialogue to Change, a separate 21-day racial-equity justice challenge, sponsors a community-wide monthly book discussion about racism, and holds lunch-and-learn seminars focusing on systemic racism.

TCC is committed to promoting social-justice and ending racism in Toledo – to Changing Minds and Changing Lives. We invite Ms. Block to join us in this effort.

Respectfully,

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