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We, the Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) at the University of Iowa, take pride in the diversity of the University of Iowa community. As a council that was founded through advocacy and diversity, the MGC stands in solidarity with people of all races, ethnicities, religions, genders, and sexual orientations. We made our commitment to take pride in and advocate for diversity when we were founded, and we still maintain that commitment today.

At the University of Iowa, there are four murals that showcase those who are "Underrepresented at Iowa." On March 14 and March 18 of 2018, two of the four murals were vandalized in two separate incidents with Nazi graffiti. One mural represents Latinx heritage, unity, and inclusiveness. The second mural features the history and culture of the LGBTQ+ community.

We, the Multicultural Greek Council, condemn the acts of oppression and violence made against not only these murals, but to the communities they represent. We stand in solidarity with those who were affected by these acts of violence and will not be silent in the face of hatred and bigotry. There is strength in unity, there is strength in diversity, and we will continue being one of the many voices at the University of Iowa to uphold these ideals.

Signed,

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